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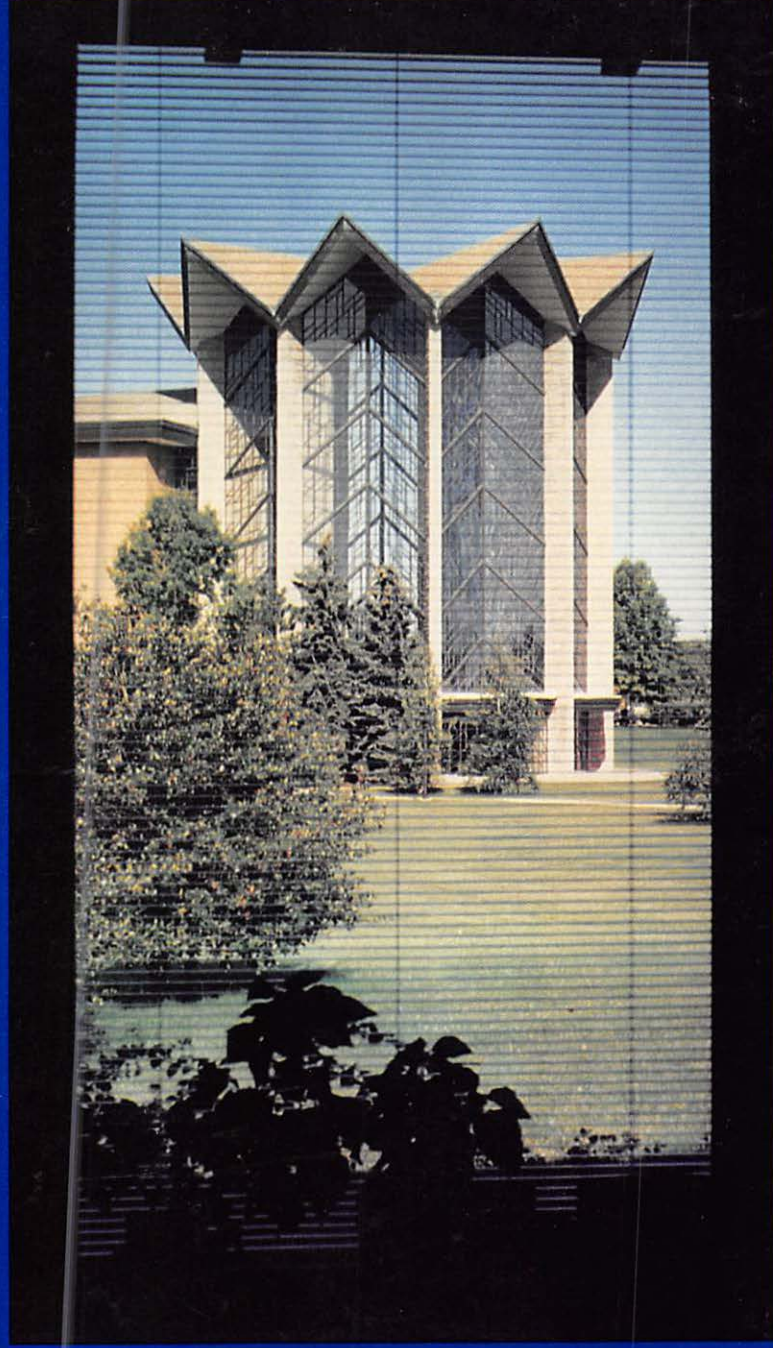
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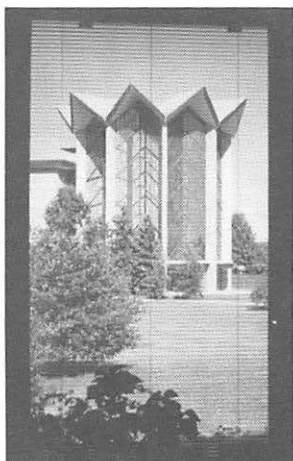
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The picture on the front cover, taken by Janie Lichtfuss, shows the fantastic view from the new campus offices of the Guild!

THE GUILD DEVOTIONAL

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Because our faith and renewal of that faith are such an important part of our lives, it seems only fitting to your Editor that there should be a section in the Bulletin devoted to the study of God's Word or material that could be used as individual or chapter devotional material. This edition's devotional was originally given as the Thursday Evening Devotions at Convention. Chapters may wish to ask members to give their personal faith reflections.*

September 24, 1992

9:30 p.m.

Gloria Christi Chapel

All hymns are from Lutheran Book of Worship (Green-covered service book).

Prelude

After the Prelude, all stand.

Opening:

L: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Hymn #463

After the singing of the hymn, all sit.

Reflections:

Diane Harre (Residential Minister in Lankenau Hall)

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11

Reflections:

Kim Meyer (Junior Math Major/Special Ed. Minor, living in Guild Hall)

At the conclusion of Kim's reflections, please stand.

Hymn #409

After the singing of the hymn, all sit.

Reflections:

Sarah Mielke (Sophomore French/Theology Major, living in Memorial Hall)

Responsive Reading:

All: Spirit of God, descend upon our hearts through distances that seem light-years between the Divine and the human. Help us to see and to know

and to feel and to share the strength whose impulses are instantly sent--your love.

South Side: We ask no dream, no prophet ecstasies, no sudden rending of the veil, when, diminished in spirit, tired in body, we simply want the dimness of soul to be taken away, that there may be replenishment of energies drained by hard thinking and imaginative creation, that there may be time to restore freshness made stale by exhaustion and over-extending of the self, that we may find renewal to make us ready again for the visions and demands, vibrancies and delights of your world.

North Side: Teach us to feel that you are near, for the struggles at times seem unbearable; the unemployment, not only of the line worker, but of the three-piece-suited professional, the million dollars a minute being spent on instruments of world devastation, the raw hunger of the world--not only of Somalia and other distant places, but of Chicago and its satellite communities--the prejudices that degrade, the arrogances that are unaccepting, the greeds that reduce humaneness, the indecencies that embarrass and cheapen life.

South Side: So in teaching us the patience of delay-answered prayer, and in sensing that you are near, help us, too, to become a community of prayer-answers--in the refining and reestablishing and re-offering of commitments in the spirit of Jesus.

North Side: Teach us to love with holy passion, that loving after you, our caring may join with yours, and with sisters' and brothers', in deep devotion to healing, to wholeness, to dignity, to forgiveness, to the affirming and creating and celebrating of hope--that irrepressible quality which takes over when optimism falters. Make us a people of passionate hope!

All: Lead us, Lord. Inspire us. Touch us, that our hearts may become an altar, and your love the flame. Amen.

Reflections:

Carole Gilbertson (Residential Minister in Lankenau Hall)

After Carole's reflections, all stand.

Prayer:

All: Gracious Lord, each new day is a gift from you. As we go our way from this place, and each day of our lives, may the good news of your kingdom be

poured into our hearts. Teach us to sing and to rejoice that freedom and release from the bondage of sin are available for people like us.

Point us toward the future with hope. Open for us doors of growth and of possibility for continual discovery of who we are and where we are going as we journey in the light and shadow of the cross. As we leave the past with its fears and failures and heartbreak behind us, point us toward the goal of confessing Christ as Lord in every area of our lives.

We pray for the homes of this gathering, Lord. Let them be places where the atmosphere and example of your love flourish and where parents and children alike reflect your grace and compassion. We pray for Valparaiso University, Lord, that together joined in trust and commitment we may allow the Holy Spirit to direct our thoughts and our dreams so that the newness of your promise continues to break in on us in ways that we least expect. Help us, Lord Jesus, never to stifle the Spirit's leading !

For the ill and the lonely, the anxious and the weary, the downhearted and the dismayed make this a time of new beginnings, of open doors, of hope and joy. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Hymn #469

Blessing

Postlude



Thursday Night Devotions Leaders, l-r: Kim Meyer, Diane Harre, Carole Gilbertson, Sarah Mielke



SADNESS!!

**GREAT
SADNESS!!**

With great regret, your Editor must notify the women of the Valparaiso University Guild, that, due to a mishap in recording, the devotions given by Walter Wangerin, Jr. on Saturday morning of Convention were not recorded. Unfortunately, due to their creative nature, it is impossible to re-create the devotions.

Your Editor promises to negotiate with Professor Wangerin for a future time when he can be with us. In the meantime, those who were fortunate enough to have heard Professor Wangerin (and can, no doubt, relate the presentation almost word-for-word) are asked to share the content with other Guild members.



OUR GUESTS



**John Steven Paul, Chr.,
Dept. of Theatre and
Television Arts**



**Alan Harre, Diane Harre, Kathi England,
and banquet speaker, Tony England**



**Eric Bardenhagen, Flag
Bearer, Phi Kappa Psi**



**Walter Wangerin, Jr.,
Devotions Leader**



**Gail Beckman, Vocal Soloist
Carolyn Shockey, Accompanist**



**Raymond Riethmeier, Flag
Bearer, Lambda Chi Alpha**



**Heidi Eilers,
Cookbook Scholarship
Recipient**



**Wayne Weith, Flag
Bearer, Sigma Phi
Epsilon**



**Philip Gilbertson, Dean,
College of Arts and Sciences**



**Deanna Stritof, Pres. Valpo
Chapter & Diane Vollrath,
Banquet MC**



**Bruce Hrivnak, Assoc.
Prof. of Physics**



**Chuck Werth, Dir.,
Church Relations**



Candy Kilpinen, Admissions



**Paula Sauer, Mary Beth Wiese, Rev.
Fredrick Wiese**



Marcia Lewis, Prof. Music

Report of the Guild President

Paula Sauer

Guild Friends-

If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. Psalm 139 verses 9 and 10.

These past two years I have had a lot of fun being your president. Part of the fun has been that when you serve as Guild president you feel like you are up on wings. None of us knows what it is really like to be up on wings, but we can guess that it is exhilarating, breathtaking, wonderful. Figuratively and literally, being your president has been exhilarating, breathtaking, and wonderful.

Our Convention Bible passage from Psalm



**Paula Sauer,
National
President**

139 in and of itself helps my spirit take flight. For me there is a sense of being caught up in the glory of that faith statement. God has given to us such an incredible promise. He will be there with us no matter what! What challenge is there that would be too great to handle? According to the psalm, no challenge is too great. God will take us all soaring. He will lead us and hold us.

Planning this 1992 Convention has been delightful. First of all, the timing is incredible. In the 500th-year anniversary of Christopher Columbus' voyage to the new world, the Guild just happens to have a president who lives in one of the 21 cities named for that explorer. What a perfect idea for the banquet that might be, I began to think. How wonderful it would be to have an explorer be our speaker, and who but an astronaut could best fill that spot. The speaker search led us to Anthony England, whom you will hear tomorrow evening. My chapter then picked up the gauntlet and has planned for you an exploratory decor which I think you will find to be "out of this world."

What Biblical theme to select presented an interesting problem. Outside of creation, there aren't too many references to heaven

and earth, and certainly none to exploration. The Board was digging deeply into concordances, attempting to locate just the perfect theme. We had spent literally hours collectively when Barbara, in one of our phone conversations, mentioned that she had this particular passage on a plaque on her kitchen wall. Would this passage be appropriate for the list of "possibles?" This plaque was a gift to her husband, Alton, from his godchild and niece, Ann Zobel, upon her confirmation. This Psalm, the whole Board later agreed, was just perfect. We wanted to center on the thought that we are all totally in God's care in all that we do, in all our unknowns and explorations. It also offered to us the companion thrust that the Guild, now in its 61st year, is still sailing on uncharted waters. We, as a group, need God's promise of leading us and holding us. Thus, the theme was set, and the Board proceeded with delight to plan our meeting, while Janie, Sharon and Es proceeded to plan our "party."

We truly hope that before the end of it all, you, too, will feel as if you are soaring on Guild wings, eager and challenged to take home all that you have learned, eager to continue our work on behalf of the University.

Over the course of these last weeks as I have been thinking about speaking to you, I kept asking myself, what brings a Guild woman to convention? What message must the Guild President convey to the members? Three thoughts emerged, and here they are: 1) we have a JOB to do; 2) we are capable of doing it, and 3) we must go home and DO it!

Let me elaborate a bit. The Guild's job is to_____. How do we fill that blank? How would you fill that blank? Two years

ago, I would have quoted page one of our History, and I would have felt quite pleased with myself, too. There was no doubt in my mind that we were to: a) create and develop a greater interest in Valparaiso University as an institution of Christian higher learning; b) give financial assistance to Valparaiso University; c) assist in increasing enrollment, and, d) seek to provide facilities necessary for the welfare of the students. End of task.

We, the Board, have all learned the phrase "unending, continuous improvement."

As a former Guild historian, quoting those words was like repeating the prayers on Sunday morning. I had them so deeply implanted in my mind that they had become rote. Since assuming the presidency, I have had the privilege of engaging in strategic planning and critically analyzing the Guild, its values, its vision and its mission with this group of officers. Without hesitancy, I can say that we have grown mightily through this process. We, the Board, have all learned the phrase "unending, continuous improvement." After a year of Guild strategic planning, we developed a Vision Statement. At Council of last year, we printed this Vision Statement, engaged the Roster leaders in a "values" discussion, and asked them to join us in this endeavor. Each time we met, the Board would dig a bit deeper, always checking backwards, assessing whether we still liked our previous work. Just two days ago, as the Board was into its work, I commented that I was having a hard time setting our Vision into my memory. We had written some beautiful words, we had reworked it over

the course of many months. This is what we said: "We are an International Christian women's organization which utilizes the talents of its members and inspires their personal achievement and growth in order to encourage and challenge the community of faith and scholarship at Valparaiso University."

What beautiful and deeply meaningful words. The Board was excited and pleased. But two days ago, as we reassessed Guild values and engaged again in the task of listing a Guild Mission Statement, it became clear to your officers that our Vision should be more simple and direct. It needed to be something that every Guild member could focus upon, work on and, for sure, be excited about. After all these months of formal study, it became clear that a better Vision would say that "the Guild is an International community of Christian women committed to Valparaiso University." That was it! Those few simple words really summed up the role of the Valparaiso University Guild.

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Do you know that when we reached that revelation about the Guild, it was like a weight had been lifted from our shoulders? We had worked for a whole year, and we reached the conclusion that almost to a word, the Guild had the same vision in 1931 at its beginning as we have now in 1992. We have added the wonderful visionary

thought of being international, but in the long run, our Guild vision is commitment to Valparaiso University.

We had been including our own chapter goals and membership contentment as part of the Guild's Vision. That, we realized, was wrong when we began asking ourselves, just who is the Guild's "client", to use a good strategic-planning term. For a while we thought the Guild had two clients. One was our membership, and we had to keep them happy, busy, and well directed. The other client was, of course, the University.

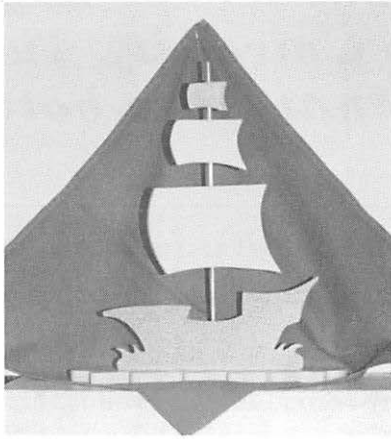
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Now, my second point to you is that we are capable of doing this Guild job! You can speak up for Valpo in your church community or with neighborhood friends. You can work on the fall bazaar committee or the Christmas vespers choir concert or the spring garage sale. You are qualified to make person-to-person calls and mail them back to the University by October 10th. You can be the president of your chapter. How do I know that you can do all these Guild jobs? Well, I know Guild women are multi-talented.

This whole Convention is centering us on the promises of God to help us risk, adventure, and meet all challenges. Be the leader your group needs, be the

"explorer""for your chapter. There was a risk-taking Italian only 500 years ago who just knew that he could reach the East by sailing west. There was a risk-taking American only 30 years ago who knew that he could circle the globe by sailing the oceans of space. The first adventurer left in three tiny ships powered only by the wind. The second one left in one tiny rocket ship powered by three stages of liquid hydrogen. Adventurers of the Guild, take note. Today you can leave this assembly powered by three things: I have a job to do. I am capable of doing my job. I will go home and do my job. Bon voyage.



Paula Sauer with the members of her Board, l-r: Diane Mathuny, Treasurer; Bev Wick, 2nd Vice President; Barbara Riethmeier, 1st Vice President; Paula, President; Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director; Marlene Rakow, Secretary; Lynn Bahls, Parliamentarian.

WHAT'S THE VALUE OF ONE MEMBER?

Ten little members standing in a line,
One disliked the president, then there were nine.

Nine ambitious members, offered to work late,
One forgot her promise, then there were eight.

Eight creative members had ideas as good as heaven,
One lost enthusiasm, then there were seven.

Seven loyal members got into a fix,
They quarreled over programs, and then there were six.

Six members remained with spirit and drive,
One moved away, then there were five.

Five steadfast members wished there were more,
One became indifferent, then there were four.

Four cheerful members who never disagree. . .
'Til one complained of meetings, then there were three.

Three eager members! What do they do?
One got discouraged, then there were two.

Two lonely members, our rhyme is nearly done,
One joined the bridge club, then there was one.

One faithful member was feeling rather blue. . .
Met with a neighbor, then there were two.

Two earnest members, each enrolled one more. . .
Doubling their number, and then there were four.

Four determined members just couldn't wait. . .
'Til each won another, and then there were eight.

Eight excited members signed up sixteen more.
In another six verses, there'll be a thousand twenty-four!

Anonymous

(Sent in by Pam Sieving, Ann Arbor Chapter)

Report of the University President

Alan F. Harre

I want to begin this presentation by thanking you as individuals and all the women you represent for all the wonderful things you do for Valparaiso University. The University stands in your debt. All of us who understand the extent of your labors of love appreciate what you do. Perhaps you do not "blow your horn loud enough." As Patti Cline described some approaches you might employ to promote yourself among the members of the current student body, I thought she offered some really wonderful ideas, and I hope you implement some of them.

So often we take the approach that we do not want to appear to be egotistical or braggarts. But when you do not speak positively enough about yourselves, and I am now specifically talking about the

Valparaiso University Guild, people do not always realize what the Guild does. I recognize it is my responsibility to commend regularly the contributions of the Guild on the University campus.

I will speak about a number of subjects, and I will welcome your questions or comments as I conclude my prepared remarks.

An institution of higher education is as strong as the personnel that it has gathered on its campus.

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Dr. Wangerin is at VU not only because we asked him to join us, but also because a generous couple decided they wanted to endow a chair to make it possible for us to



President Alan
F. Harre

emphasize Christian themes on the campus. That monetary gift made Dr. Wangerin's presence with us possible. I want to commend Mr. and Mrs. Emil Jochum of Cleveland, Ohio, for their generous gift in establishing the endowed chair that Dr. Wangerin occupies. Without those dollars, Dr. Wangerin probably would not be with us.

We also want to express appreciation for the presence of Dr. James Bachman on campus. Dr. Bachman occupies the Eckrich Chair that was funded by the Lutheran Charities Association of St. Louis. At the time the Lutheran Hospital in St. Louis was sold to a for-profit hospital firm, the question arose, "What do we do with all the proceeds that were received from the selling of the hospital?" The Lutheran Charities Organization was established, and that organization makes gifts primarily to St. Louis entities. However, given the long-term relationship that Valparaiso University had with the School of Nursing at Lutheran Hospital, the decision was made to fund the chair at VU. Dr. Bachman has made significant contributions to the campus, and he also enhances the life of the church. He has been a preacher at District and Synodical pastoral conferences in both Missouri and ELCA. Again, we would not have him, and he would not be representing himself or Valparaiso University, if it were not for the generosity of Lutheran Charities.

Last night at the dinner you met Dr. Roy Austensen. Dr. Austensen joined us from his position at Illinois State University in Normal, Illinois. While there, he primarily functioned as a professor of European history and then, most recently, as the Associate Provost.

He brings to his tasks at VU a good

understanding of Lutheran education. He experienced education in a Lutheran grade school, Lutheran high school, and also Concordia College in River Forest. Following graduation from Concordia, he attended the University of Illinois and completed his master's and Ph.D. in European history under the tutelage of Dr. Paul Schroeder. What is interesting about that fact is that Dr. Schroeder was also my professor at Concordia Senior College in Fort Wayne. After we visited with one another, we discovered that we both had this mentor in common, and we both have great respect for him. In many ways his scholarly approach to the study of history has influenced both of us.

One of the realities of Dr. Austensen's presence on campus is that he is taking over some of the responsibilities that I have carried in the areas of budget development, financial aid, and recruitment. As a result of having those items off of my weekly, and sometimes daily, agendas, I will be able to spend more time traveling to raise additional dollars for Valparaiso University.

We have just announced the appointment of the Reverend Richard Maddox as the replacement for Vice President Gary Greinke in the area of institutional advancement.

Pastor Maddox completed his bachelor's degree and his legal education at the University of Nebraska. Later he completed a M.Divinity at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. He has been involved with The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod Foundation since 1982. We never have had anyone walk into the position of Vice President for Development or of Institutional Advancement with the extensive background that this man has.

When I say this, please understand what I am saying. Obviously, Mr. Richard Koenig and Mr. Greinke served very well. But both of them learned their trade at VU. They shared what they learned here. This is the first time we are bringing to the campus someone to fulfill the role with ten years of experience in major leadership responsibilities in fund-raising with another organization. We will gain from all that Reverend Maddox has learned elsewhere and now brings to his task here at VU. Of course, he can add to whatever he has learned by what we have discovered here.

We are looking forward to having Pastor Maddox at VU. He is a gentle man, task orientated, very collegial, and, I believe he will do extremely well. I am looking forward to your meeting him.

I understand that some people were asking about the level of gifting to the Center for the Visual and Performing Arts. I was told that Dr. John S. Paul said he would let someone else respond to your questions.

As of September 25 the Center for the Visual and Performing Arts fund has a balance of \$6,143,000.

As of September 25 the Center for the Visual and Performing Arts fund has a balance of \$6,143,000. No interest has been added to the total since June 30. We add interest on a quarterly basis simply because it is an effort to do so. Thus, the interest will be added at the end of September and again at the end of December.

I understand that Dr. Paul, and others, talked

at length with you about the CVPA plan. If you have some questions you want to raise we can come back to this subject later.

In relationship to the subject of enrollment I want to say a few things. This year's freshman class, as of census date, was equal to last year's freshman class. Six hundred and sixty-four new students are freshman. However, as one analyzes the current position of the student body, the 1992-93 student body is smaller than the student body of last year. That fact is caused by a number of reasons. If we compare this year's sophomore class to last year's sophomore class, the sophomore class of 1992-93 is 91 students smaller because, two years ago, VU enrolled 720 freshman. Last year we enrolled 664 freshman. As a result of that fact we have 91 fewer sophomores this year from last.

The most significant fact is that we have 102 fewer seniors this year than we enrolled last year. Please recall that five years ago *U.S. News & World Report* listed Valparaiso University as number one in the nation. VU received a tremendous bounce off of that judgment. As a result of that fact, as you looked at the application curve that Dean James Albers developed, you saw that normally we reach the highest level of our recruiting activity in late January-early February. After that time the number of applications usually begin to diminish. In the 1987-88 recruitment year, applications kept arriving. As a result, VU enrolled more students. We knew we were going to enroll a smaller student body this year, given the fact we graduated that large 1988 recruitment class as seniors this past May. But, it looks as if enrollment has stabilized. The fact that we were able to enroll 664 freshman, equal to the previous year, in which the number of potential college

freshmen nationwide was once again down about 5% (and in some of the more significant feeder states for VU even more than that), we see that stabilized enrollment as a small victory, if not a major one. We remain concerned about enrollment.

I understand you heard a presentation concerning telephoning prospective students on behalf of the University. Thank you for what you will do.

We begin each fall with a pool of prospective students. The new recruitment material is very nicely done, and as a result of that fact we have received roughly 7,000 more inquiries this year than we had by this date last year. My understanding is that because of this larger pool, you have received more cards to process. I have talked to you in the past about what you may want to say as you make those calls. I encourage you to emphasize quality. As we observe what is happening in American higher education, there are legitimate, growing concerns about what is not happening in the colleges and universities of this country. This is particularly true as one compares VU to some of the fiscally strapped state systems of higher education. As you may know, the most beleaguered system of higher education is in the state of California. I believe what is being done there in order to balance the books is destructive of the educational process. As a result of the financial shortfalls the system must confront, sections, courses, and majors are being eliminated to try to balance budgets. You should note that in the *U. S. News & World Report* that will soon be available to you, VU is ranked third this year rather than second. If you look at those data carefully, you will discover that VU moved behind St. Mary's of South Bend this year. What has happened is that St. Mary's

has increased its resources enough so that they now rank higher than we do. *U.S. News and World Report* has identified a number of elements to ascertain quality in institutions of higher education. Obviously, resources is one of those measures, and St. Mary's has moved ahead of us.

I think you need to talk about service with prospective students. Over and over again as parents talked to Diane and me at the beginning of the year, they were extremely complimentary about the work the Admissions Office personnel, you, alumni, and others did for them and for their children as they were making their decisions. So, continue to talk about VU's service to its students and their parents.

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It seems to me that it is not very productive merely to call students and ask if they have any questions. In most cases they have no idea of what to ask. You need to be prepared to carry the conversation. I understand that Candy has shared some ideas with you that are helpful in assisting you to keep the conversation moving.

I also want to call your attention to the goldenrod sheet you will find in your packet that describes the itinerary for the Kantorei and the other side has the itinerary of Professor Martin Jean, VU's fine organist. I would strongly recommend that you call the prospective students' parents. Say, "Folks, the Kantorei from Valparaiso University is going to be in our area. If you have a desire to see the kind of students

with whom your child would be attending classes and socializing at Valparaiso University, this is the perfect opportunity to see some of those students. The choir will be performing at such-and-such Lutheran Church, at such-and-such time." Do not settle for merely calling the student. The last thing that most 17 year-olds want to do is go to a concert to listen to church music. Professor Jean is a wonderful ambassador on behalf of the University. You have to understand that in most cases he is performing someplace because the place sponsoring him has an agenda. But, that does not stop us from "tagging along" with whatever its agenda might be. He literally is going to be all over the country, and he will visit some areas where we rarely send representatives. Please use these opportunities to promote VU.

You also have been given a copy of the men's basketball schedule. The men's team is going to be in a few places where they have not played in recent years. They will be part of the Baylor Classic the weekend of December 4-5; they also are going to play Brown and Niagara in the Northeast. If you are living near any of these locations, I hope you will attend the games and bring others to the contest with you.

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As you make telephone calls, emphasize Campus Visit Days. Get the young people on campus. Get them committed to come to see the campus. After they have been here, call them again and talk to them about what concerns they may have.

The last subject I want to talk about is the

relationship of VU to the church. Numbers of people have been concerned about this subject in light of the presidential election at the convention of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod in which Dr. Ralph Bohlmann was unseated, and Dr. Alvin Barry was elected. Some people wonder what this means for Valparaiso University and its relationship to the church. I am not clairvoyant, but there are a number of items that are worthy of noting as we reflect upon that frequently asked question. One of the realities about leadership is that the longer one is in a leadership position, the larger becomes the number of people who are unhappy with things one did or did not do during his tenure in office. Anyone in a position of leadership who does not recognize this reality is in real trouble.

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All of you who are members of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod know the electoral process. There was significant activity in many electoral circuits to assure the selection of delegates opposed to the current direction of the church and the leadership of Dr. Bohlmann. That group seemed to comprise 525-535 delegates. I say that because as one looked at the election results (most ballots are cast and counted electronically), one could know exactly how many delegates voted for what or for whom. There seemed to be a very consistent vote of 525-535 delegates who reflected a particular vantage point. On most occasions 580-590 votes were required to constitute a majority. There were enough swing delegates who had received tremendous amounts of information from

"the party" that was critical of Dr. Bohlmann's leadership to elect Dr. Barry. I was told by delegates that they had received two and three pieces of mail every day. They received a videotape and other items as well, all of which were designed to either criticize, make judgments, and critique Dr. Bohlmann's leadership or promote the assets and the wonderful character of Dr. Barry. The presidential election always happens very early in the Synodical convention process because there are so many elections that have to take place, and these elections have to happen sequentially. The election for president took place within the first 36 hours of the convening of the convention. Dr. Bohlmann was narrowly defeated; if six people had changed their vote, it would have been a tie. That is not a very big majority. The next election was for First Vice President, and Dr. August Mennicke, who was the sitting First Vice President, was reelected by a very narrow margin. Once that second election happened, difference in vote counts between the people who were sitting vice presidents and the people who had been identified by the delegates backing Dr. Barry, became greater and greater. At times the incumbents were winning by as many as 200 votes. Therefore, what we seem to have in The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod is a president who has been elected by a group of individuals who promoted his candidacy and supported a particular agenda they wanted to pursue, but their voting power began to dissipate as the convention continued. On issue after issue the positions "the party" had promoted lost and the so-called "administration approach" to issues was in the ascendant position.

As one assesses the policy of the LC-MS, the real power of the LC-MS is not centralized in the office of the president.

Many people think that is the case, but that is really not the situation. The Synod elects many independent commissions, committees, and boards. Almost all officers are elected by the convention and they ultimately have to report concerning their stewardship in office to the next convention. The President often can only cajole, persuade, and try to influence. The person sitting in the President's office certainly has the prestige of the office, but relatively little power to control much of what happens in the Synod and its Districts.

The LC-MS is structured so that only the Synod in convention really is in control. That reality reflects the congregational polity of the LC-MS. We are concerned about centralization in the LC-MS. That position has assets and liabilities.

Following the election and after the crowd that had gathered around Dr. Barry to congratulate him had dispersed, I approached him and indicated that in the past the Board of Directors of VU had regularly invited the Synodical President to join the Board for its quarterly meetings and that he would continue to receive those invitations. I also indicated to him that Dr. Bohlmann, and, in some cases, Dr. Mennicke standing in for Dr. Bohlmann, could not attend with regularity simply because of all the other duties they both had. Yet one of them tried to attend at least one meeting a year, and the Board was appreciative of that effort. If he could do the same, the Board would appreciate his attendance as well. He thanked me. After I returned to the University, I wrote him a letter restating the invitation. He has already received a notice about the October meeting of the Board.

I'll be happy to answer any questions you might have.

CONVENTION OVER COFFEE

Barbara Oster, Convention Reporter

Being a third-generation Guild member is exciting, challenging, inspiring, and all the other adjectives that go along with our unique group. For these reasons I looked forward to attending this year's Convention. It had been over 10 years since my first. The weekend did not disappoint me—the campus community opened its arms to the Guild women, the weather was beautiful (well, for the most part!), and we learned so much from each of our sessions.

Thursday night, as we arrived from O'Hare on the Guild bus, we were met by eager young students who helped us by carrying our boxes of Guild goodies to the Union. That was one thing that I would not have to worry about in the morning. As I walked down the hall in Scheele looking for my

room on the Alpha floor, I was passed by a student who exclaimed, "My mother is here!", as she ran to the elevator.

The opening devotions in the Gloria Christi Chapel set the tone for the weekend. Four women, two students and two residential ministers, reflected on moments in their lives when their faith helped them to seek their dreams through adventure, loving God, by being certain of things we cannot see, and by taking risks.

The 61st Convention officially began with the opening Flag Ceremony, an old tradition that was being revived after several years. As each flag was brought in, the women sang: "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" for the Christian flag, "The Star Spangled Banner" for the American flag, and "Hail to the Brown and Gold" for the Valparaiso University flag. This was a rousing way to begin.

"If I take the wings of the morning,
And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
Even there Your hand shall lead me,
And your right hand shall hold me." Psalm
139:9-10



**Barbara Oster,
New Orleans Chapter,
Convention Reporter**

There is no better message that the 128 chapters of the Valparaiso University Guild

need now. As our President, Paula Sauer, noted in her opening words: no challenge is too great, we have a job to do, we are capable of doing that job and we must go home and do it. The Lord is with us and will guide us to do whatever it takes. Put your faith in Him and our commitment to the University will be fulfilled.

The luncheon meeting with the first-time Presidents continued with that idea. Several of the presidents were in that position by default. With spirited Margaret Zobel leading our discussion, we felt like it was more of a support group—that our chapter was not the only one that needed help. We left the meeting on the "wings of the morning."

The opening of the afternoon session brought a visit from Tessie the Traveler. Bed and Breakfast is what it is today because of this effervescent lady. If we could bottle her enthusiasm and spirit, what an organization we would have! Our dreams would come true beyond our wildest expectations.

Cookbook IV is on its way—a little late, but it will be here. There has been a lot of hard work in putting together the latest volume. Recipes have to be checked and rechecked to be sure of accuracy and authenticity. A recipe that called for a 42 oz. can of jalapeno peppers really meant 2-4 oz. cans of peppers! I hope that this was discovered before the tester prepared the recipe.

Our afternoon speaker from the College of Arts & Sciences, Dean Philip Gilbertson, spoke to us on the importance of art in our lives. He recalled an incident that involved his wife, Carole, in one of her classes. She would play classical music every day as her children entered the classroom. On one particular day she was too busy to start the

music, so the classroom was quiet. A student, who never seemed to pay any attention in class, spoke up as he entered. "Where's the music?" he said. So, children do hear what the environment is "saying" to them. It will never hurt to introduce them to the authentic art environment, such as stage, ballet, music, or paintings. They may not appreciate it now, but it will stay with them, and as they get older they will realize that art will affect them throughout their daily lives.

"Mankind's Changing View of the Universe: Columbus Until Now" was the topic of our Friday dinner speaker, Prof. Bruce Hrivnak. I believe that the sign of a person who truly loves what he is doing is that he is able to communicate his field, such as astronomy, to a large group of lay people without talking over their heads. Prof. Hrivnak showed the excitement of astronomy through many slides of the changing universe. Then, going beyond the call of duty, the Professor invited the group out to the Valpo Observatory to look out into the sky on this exceptionally clear evening. The perhaps 50 or so people who ventured out beyond the Engineering building saw the planet Saturn and its rings among the stars. Several times while we were there, Prof. Hrivnak thanked us for coming out. The University is blessed to have a man of this caliber.

Saturday morning brought a new experience for many of us—Rev. Walter Wangerin. What a storyteller this man is! The literal meaning of the words "wings of the morning" show that even though we feel that we are alone in the world, we will always have the hands of our parents and of God guiding us. The story of Pastor Wangerin's move as a seven-year-old to a new town and a new school began with his

mother asking him if he was little and weak and ended with his new teacher, Miss Augustine (beautiful Miss Augustine), and Walter shouting, "Jesus Loves Me."

Quality education was the focal point of Dr. Alan Harre's report to the convention. As an enthusiastic supporter of the Guild Person-to-Person Program, Dr. Harre suggested that we emphasize that Valparaiso University offers the kind of quality education that many of the other universities have cut in order to balance their budgets. Even though enrollment has stabilized for now, Valpo will keep the commitment to quality over a large student body.

With a few false starts, Janie Lichtfuss finally spoke to the assembly. The message was worth waiting for. Telling the story of blind Bartimaeus from Mark 10:46-52, Janie showed that the Guild, with its problems, can react in the same way: cheer up, then get up and jump up. If we believe that we can do what is needed, then we should look for the solutions and, with the Lord's help, we will find them.

Janie gave three discussion questions that each chapter should discuss within its membership:

1. What do you value about the Guild?
2. How do you perceive the Guild at this time? What do you think outsiders think of the Guild?
3. What do you want the Guild to look like in 5 -10 years? What can you do to make the necessary changes?

It is clear that something must change if the Guild is to survive. Valpo would not be the same kind of university without us. The

Guild's faith has carried the University through many difficult situations.

For several of the Guild women, this weekend marked the beginning of a new adventure. For Paula Sauer, this was actually the end of an era for her, but with the knowledge of a job well done. Paula, thank you for two great years. You will have a well-earned "vacation" from Guild duties, but I am sure you will probably be eager to get back to work by the next convention.

After wondering whether she would win the election, Barb Riethmeier came through with flying colors. Saturday afternoon was filled with surprises for Barb—from her younger Beta sisters who honored Barb as an "old" Beta, from her hometown chapter in Rochester, and from Margaret Zobel who represented her family. Barb, the rest of the chapters pledge their support to you for the next two years. We know you will continue with the Guild spirit and make us all proud of you.

Our new vice-presidents are Bev Wick and Ann Louise Beese - I mean Pera. Ann Louise, this must be your year—getting married on August 29th and then elected as a Guild national officer less than 30 days later. Both Bev and Ann Louise will bring with them the excitement and experience that they have shown throughout the years.

Saturday ended with as big a "bang" as it began. The Great Hall was transformed into a space odyssey. The darkened room was spectacular with the sparkling lights behind the head table, the images of Christopher Columbus and his ship, plus an astronaut and his ship surrounding the area.

After all the changes in personnel, shifts in budgeting and changes in direction, our

speaker for the evening, Tony England, believes that NASA is a viable organization and that it will survive. He believes that it needs to have a focus and a direction to move toward it being an innovator the way NASA originally was. For the past several years NASA has been merely maintaining and not progressing—the space shuttle is far too complex, there are too many variables with too many things to go wrong. He believes NASA can and will pull together and move ahead. As we learned this weekend, with the Lord's help, it will.

I learned from my mother, the journalism major, that the hardest parts to writing are the opening and the closing. As you can see, I got through the opening, but now I need a closing. Well, I just read through the whole article and noticed that I used quite a few descriptive words that could be used about the Guild. Just in case you missed them, here they are again: Exciting, Challenging, Inspiring, Beautiful, Eager, Goodies, Faith, Taking Risks, Tradition, Mighty, Capable, Commitment, Spirited, Support, Effervescent, Dreams, Wildest, Hard Work, Changing, Communication, Exceptionally, Blessed, Enthusiastic, Adventures, Younger, Old, Experience, Spectacular, Sparkling, Viable, Organization, Focus, Direction, Innovator, Progressing, Quality, Cheer, Value, Surprises, and Family.

See how many describe you and your chapter. If you don't find very many, then what you need to do is to attend the next convention. You will come away using these words and more!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1979 CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT NEEDED!

Mrs. Velma W. Franke, 5205 East 800 N, Ossian, Indiana 46777, writes: *"I am the lady who spoke to you at the LWML Convention in Louisville KY last week, concerning the one V.U. Ornament missing in the collection of ornaments that I annually give to our son who graduated from the College of Engineering in 1967 with a degree in Mechanical Engineering. The one missing is the 1979 ornament.*

I would be so grateful if you could locate one for me. I was ill that year and didn't get one ordered."

If anyone has an extra 1979 ornament or knows where Velma might get one, please contact Velma at the above address.

SPECIAL ESCORTED VAN WILL CONTINUE

The Guild will again be paying for and escorting a van for the November 14th Visitation Day at the University. The van will be provided on Friday, November 13th. Prospective students coming to campus on that day will be able to take either the 12:00 noon van or the 6:00 p.m. van to campus. A return van will be provided on Sunday, November 15, 1992 and will leave the campus at 12:30 p.m.



Four Winds Members l-r: Juliette Nehring, Ann Louise Pera, Louise Fritz, Norine Radde, Eleanor Varda, Jan Wozniak, Imogene Dahl, and Patti Cline.



Margaret Zobel (r) with the First Time (EVER) Presidents.



Our candidates l-r: Laurel Rouse, Ann Louise Pera, Joanne Gatz, Bev Wick, and Barbara Riethmeier.



Committee Chairs l-r: Patti Cline, Julia Riess, Jan Wozniak, Shirley Honold, Margaret Zobel, Jan Schlegelmilch, Judy Schumacher, Marian Yunghans, Paula Strietelmeier, Diane Vollrath, and Bonnie Naumann



Amen Corner, standing l-r: Jackie Jungemann, Janie Lichtfuss, Beata Madoerin; seated l-r: Virginia Amling and Lynn Bahls.

In Memoriam

Quinta Koepke, former member of the Guild Office Staff and member of the Austin-Central Texas Chapter, mother of Marcia Mast, Buffalo Chapter and Judy Haugen, Austin-Central Texas Chapter, and wife of Luther, died of cancer August 10, 1992.

Miriam Griessel (Mrs. Edward), past National 1st and 2nd Vice President of the Guild, died October 30, 1992 in Florida. The funeral was November 4th at Lakeside Lutheran Church in Venice FL. Memorials are requested for either Lakeside Lutheran Church or the Valparaiso University Guild. Miriam's daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Howard Peters, are both professors at VU.

Esther Hildner's brother died in Chicago, in March 1992. Esther is a member of the Central New Jersey Chapter and has served as National Activities Chair for the past two years.

Vera Morgan's sister died in April 1992. Vera is a member of the Omaha Chapter.

John K. Holzer, Barbara McKissick's father, died in April 1992. Barb is a member of the Naperville Chapter and has just retired as Area Director for Area II.

Elgin Chapter Member, Pat Schnabel, mother of student Dana Schnabel, died of cancer in September 1992.

Evelyn B. Bopp, member of the St. Louis Chapter, has died.

Sun City Chapter member, Bertha Brunner, died late this summer.

Mrs. Margaret Thieman, long-standing and faithful member of the New Orleans Chapter, died this past summer.

Magdalene M. Frank, age 87, of Sidney, Ohio, formerly of Gary, died April 23, 1992.

Maybelle Marks, of Chicago, mother of Betty Eckenfels and grandmother of Jan Zinnecker, both of the Cincinnati Chapter, died this past summer.

Editor's Note: Your Editor realizes that there have no doubt been others within our Guild Family who have died recently. Their names were not omitted intentionally. If chapters will keep the national office informed, names will be included in future issues of the Bulletin. We pray for our Lord's continuing care and comfort for all who mourn.

GUILD

WESTMORELAND LEAD GLASS BELL

Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter

These Westmoreland lead glass crystal bells have faceted amber clappers. The bell is 4 1/2" tall, 1 3/4" in diameter, with frosted "VU Guild" etched on one side. They have a frosted "handle." When rung, they have a beautiful tinkling sound. Be sure to include "SHIP TO" information when ordering.

Price per item: \$8.00

Shipping/Handling: \$2.00

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South Bend IN 46614
Phone: 219/291-7153



FENTON GLASS PAPERWEIGHT

Mishawaka-South Bend Chapter

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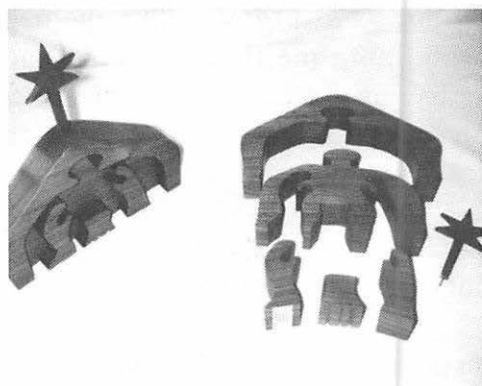
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GOODIES

THREE-DIMENSIONAL CRECHE

Omaha Chapter



A six-piece nesting creche in beautifully grained, solid walnut, handsawed and rubbed with three coats tung oil, all labor done by Omaha Guild Chapter.

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VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY CHAPEL NOTE-CARDS

Puget Sound Chapter

This set of notecards features five assorted photographs of the interior of the Gloria Christi Chapel. Photographs are mounted on fine linen beige cardstock conveniently packaged with matching envelopes and VU Guild seals.

Price per item: \$5.50 per package
Shipping/Handling: 1 set \$1.00; 2 sets \$1.45; 3 sets \$2.15; 4 sets \$2.65; 5-10 sets \$2.90; 10-18 sets \$4.10.

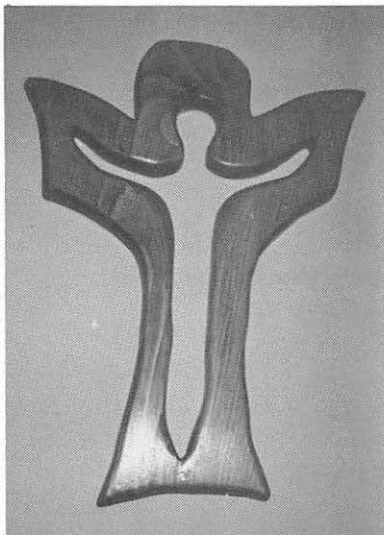
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CRUCIFORM

Southtowns of Erie County

Chapter



This beautiful wood wall hanging is approximately 12" x 9" in size and is handmade by John Biel. The crucifix is carved out of negative space with the cross in lieu of the traditional sculpture of Christ. When hung, the crucifix throws a shadow within the negative space, outlining the figure of the Crucified Christ. The original design cruciform comes with an explanation sheet that gives further historical data.

Price per item: \$20.00

Shipping/Handling: 2.50

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SALT WATER TAFFY

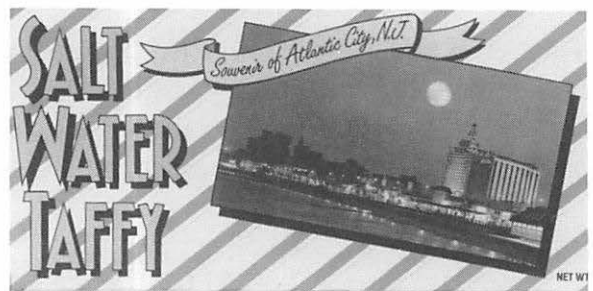
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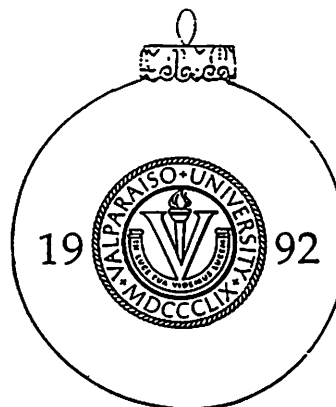
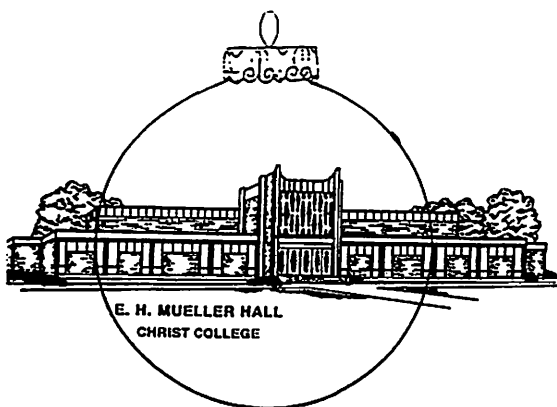
These 7 oz. boxes of Salt Water Taffy are from Atlantic City, New Jersey. They are sold on the boardwalk during the summer months but are now available through the Central New Jersey Chapter year round.

Price per item: \$2.50

Shipping/Handling \$2.50 (for 1 or 2 boxes)
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VU ORNAMENTS ORDER FORM

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A Message from our Membership Chairman

Patti Cline

Madam President, Fellow Guild Members and Guests:

I have entitled my message to you today, the Role of the Volunteer/Risk-Taker. As such, I would like you to listen with two ears—one as you, the volunteer, and the other as you, a Guild leader.

As Presidents and Membership Chairmen, we like to see our membership roles flourish as they become a validation of a job well done, an agreement with our choice of service, and many hands make light work.

The key to membership is two-fold—obtaining members and keeping members. The first part is difficult, if not impossible, without a membership chairman who is responsible for keeping membership concerns before her chapter. It helps if she likes people, is a good listener and loves to talk on the telephone. The rest of the chapter needs to assist her with recruiting, telephoning, carpooling, greeting, socializing, assigning tasks; in short, whatever it takes to get that potential member to a meeting and to keep her active.

However, though many may disagree with me, getting members is the easy part; keeping them is the hard part. As an example, I have attended a church in my home community for five years and have

watched as over 400 new people have walked in and out of that church. Today we still have a membership of 50, which we had five years ago. Not the same 50, but nevertheless, just 50. It took me awhile to realize the not so obvious. As I explain this, think of your own chapters and leaders. We have a pastor who has little administrative ability, who can't delegate, who wants to control the decisions and directions and who has a 50-member-study-group mentality. Now, none of this is wrong or bad. His abilities are in starting study groups and then turning them over to pastors who can turn them into churches. We also have a Board President who owes her allegiance to and is in agreement with the pastor, who is a take-charge person, who can't delegate or teach and who does it all. Again, not wrong or bad, it just leaves the rest of us feeling useless, unnecessary, unwanted, and, as you can see, most people won't join that church. Every action or suggestion I have made to create jobs or to involve people has been thwarted or negated. Consequently, is it any surprise to you that I half-heartedly attend that church or that my focus as Membership Chairman these past two years has been about keeping your members? What happens at that church is not what I want to happen in your chapters.

I have been teaching to create chapters where members feel welcomed, wanted,

appreciated, respected, heard, and empowered to utilize their talents and abilities. I have been encouraging you to create strong internal chapters where each voice is respected, acknowledged and heard; where everyone has input into and knows the goals of the chapter, and has a valued and respected job within those goals; and a chapter where everyone is allowed and encouraged to wear whatever hat she chooses and to be the best she can be.

I pray that my message has been heard and that all chapters are headed in that direction. If not, I encourage you to discuss this with your chapters, because I know when this occurs, you literally will have women flocking to your chapters because your members will sing praises of their involvement in your chapter wherever they go. Everyone will want a piece of the action.

Think about it. Isn't that why you are in the Guild and other organizations? We have a need to serve and, in serving others, we serve ourselves. To some extent it doesn't matter where we serve. We stay and do our best where we feel needed, appreciated, respected, heard, encouraged and empowered to be the best we can be. As a volunteer, remember those times and feelings and rejoice in them as you return to your chapter. As a Guild leader, find a way to trigger those times and feelings in others. Create a chapter and team that everyone wants to join.

No member or chapter should feel impotent to create what I have described. Let someone know how you feel and what you want. Band and bond together. Ask for help. Read and use the Black Manual, the *Leader* and other Guild material. We can lead you to the material, but we can't make you read it or use it. Make your leaders accountable.

If you, as volunteer or Guild leader, can't get help or motivate your group, find the member who is critical, or obstinate, or knows it all, or loves to talk and give her the Guild Roster, a telephone and the assignment to get the answers your chapter needs. Use her talents and abilities!!! Is it better to slowly fade away as a chapter or to call National officers, to come to Executive Council and Convention with a list of questions and a determined resolve to go home with answers no matter where or how you get them. What you dream you can create. See the strengths of your members and chapter. See what talents and strengths your chapter needs. Look for women with those talents and strengths and recruit them. Start small and easy. Build on those strengths and successes. Make short-term and long-term goals. Think big, challenge us, make us the best Guild we can become. Make us the role model for other organizations. But start moving!!

One of the reasons I want your chapters to be strong is because I have been encouraging the Executive Board to take steps that will send members to you. I want you to be strong chapters that are ready to receive new members, that can hear what it takes to get women to your meetings, what it takes to keep them, what new members have to offer, where and how they want to serve, and to allow them to offer new opportunities and challenges to your chapters. With strong chapters as the soil, they are the seeds that will take us into the 21st century, blooming in directions as yet unseen, just as we were the seeds that have brought us here today.

Just briefly, I want to share my ideas with you. I would like to see a marketing plan for the Guild developed. Most of us are staying in Scheele. Ask your hostesses what they

know about the Guild. I started this two years ago and have been surprised at what they don't know. If they graduate not knowing about the Guild, how and when will they join? I'd like to see the Valparaiso Chapter involved in this as a logical and practical place to start, not that they don't have enough to do or aren't already doing a great job, I must add.

I would like the Guild to enroll automatically each year every graduating senior, whether into a local chapter or Four Winds. As a reminder, Four Winds is for those who would like to belong to the Guild, but there is no local chapter in their area. They can join by sending their dues to the Guild Office. Please continue sending the names of members who move or the names of potential members who live outside of chapter areas to the Guild Office. The Guild Office will then forward that information to the Membership Chairman.

Since most graduates move frequently, Four Winds is a natural place for them. While they search for a place to settle, the Guild will be a part of their awareness through the Guild *Bulletin* and Four Winds newsletters. They may move in and out of Four Winds and several chapters, but our intent is to keep the Guild in front of them as a constant in their changing world.

I would like to see us contact and market our alumnae. We could start with, say, graduates from 1980 and make a concerted effort to contact each grad, inviting her to teas, Valpo Sunday activities, to join the Guild via a local chapter or Four Winds. It matters not where they join, but that they join. As we keep track of their locations, as we discover a nucleus, that is where a chapter can be created.

The National Guild can stir and help you to

stir the membership waters, but it is up to you to find the fishing poles, to bait the hooks, to reel them in and to keep them. Keep in mind these are the daughters, daughters-in-law, granddaughters we've never had. However, never forget they are our peers.

Also, contacting graduating seniors and alums can be done by local chapters. It doesn't have to be done only by the National Guild. So those of you who are ready for new members, please see me later for particulars.

In closing, I would like to share with you a technique for group discussion that I learned from a grass-roots organization. We found ourselves unable to listen to each other because each of us had her own ideas and had so much to say. One woman suggested that we do what the American Indians do. That is, to sit in a circle, which we were, to go around the circle one person at a time, no one else could speak or ask questions until her turn and could address only the question at hand. It was amazing to watch how quickly we discovered common ground and a consensus. We used this technique whenever the shouting matches started.

So, I encourage you to do whatever it takes to get your chapter moving to wherever you would like your chapter to go. Not only can you make a difference in your chapter, but also by your presence here today, you are the difference in your chapter.

Thank you.

A Guild Woman You Should Know

Marlene Fenske

Marlene Fenske has become "famous" because of a surprising and very unexpected 10-second spot in a video.

One might wonder how Marlene, a 60-year-old suburbanite called "Barma" by her six grandchildren (her husband, Thomas, died in 1985), ends up puckering up on a Van Halen music video. This is not so difficult to understand when one realizes that Mark, the oldest of Fenske's six children, wrote and produced the thought-provoking Warner Brothers Recording music video for "Right Now."

While Van Halen's lyrics provide the sound track, "right now" messages appear across the screen as do the visuals to go with them.

"Right now opportunity is passing you by."

"Right now justice is being perverted in a court of law."

"Right now you could be outside."

"Right now someone is working too hard for minimum wage."

"Right now your parents miss you."

At this point in the video, Marlene Fenske, wearing a red trench coat, walks toward the camera and plants a big smooch, leaving her lipstick prints behind as she backs off, waving goodbye, cocking her head, smiling, waving, smiling. . .

Another son, Matthew, a senior at Valparaiso University, said he was going to get a T-shirt that said, "My mom is on MTV. Is yours?" Daughter Amy Fenske Lorenz says that it was such a typical mother thing for her to do, to sit there smiling and kiss the camera.

Yes, Marlene is a natural!



Marlene Fenske getting a big smooch from son Mark.
Photograph by Karen Kring, *Chicago Tribune*

SPECIAL SERVICE HELD

FOR

LYDIA STEEGE OHLSON

Officers and members of the Guild's Executive Board gathered after Morning Prayer on September 24, 1992 to remember one of its eldest supporters in a most unique tribute.

Under a perfectly blue sky with the sun bright and the breeze announcing fall had arrived, the cremated remains of Lydia Steege Ohlson were deposited under the new University sign marker along Highway 30 just south of the Chapel of the Resurrection behind O. P. Kretzmann Hall. VU President Alan Harre and David Kehret of the Chapel staff conducted a brief service at the site which dedicated a small plaque memorializing Lydia's many years of commitment to Valparaiso University and the Guild.

Mrs. Ohlson died in July at age 94. She had lived at a health care facility in Bristol, Connecticut for nearly 12 years after retiring from a long career of activities in her hometown of New Britain, Connecticut where her father, The Reverend Theodore C. J. Steege, founded and served as pastor of St. Matthew's Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. A memorial service was held there in July. She was a widow for over 30 years and never had children of her own. Her extended family, however, included her church and Valparaiso University.

"When people asked how we were related," remembers Dave Samber (VU '72) of Chicago who also attended the service, "I told them it was strictly a 'love affair': love of our Lord and Savior in our Lutheran



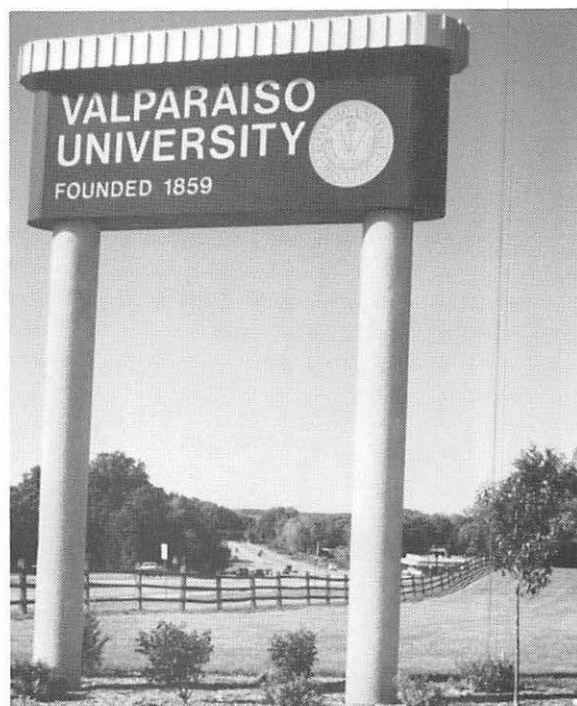
LYDIA STEEGE OHLSON

heritage and of our Alma Mater.” Samber had watched over Lydia’s affairs for many years and was responsible to carry-out Lydia’s longtime wish that her remains be buried at VU.

“Lydia inspired people, particularly the young, for decades by her faithful example of involvement. She was from that special mold of Lutheran women who get things done. They help shape boards, set policies, and instill the highest values by selfless service and dedication of their time and efforts.” said Samber.

Indeed, the Valparaiso University Alumni Association recognized Lydia’s “life exemplifying the high ideals and achievements for which the University stands” when it granted her honorary alumni membership during Homecoming 1977. That was her last visit to campus, although she was a regular visitor for many years. She would take a bus back and forth from the east coast to Valpo to attend Guild executive meetings and its annual fall convention, representing the “Nutmeg Chapter” which she began so long ago.

Many still recall her generosity in providing the podium flowers at each convention. Others remember that she would often pay the nominal Guild dues on behalf of new members to get them committed. It was hard to say “no” to Lydia for anything, and she was offered deep respect from her friends who admired her untiring efforts for others.



New University sign along U. S. Route 30 with Lydia Steege Ohlson memorial plaque and tree at the right in the landscaping.





Report of the Executive Director

Janie Lichtfuss

Madam president, members of the Board, members of the Valparaiso University Guild:

Good afternoon. It has been really wonderful to have all of you here. As I have mentioned many times, we in the Guild Office look forward to when all of you arrive here on campus. Those times are always quite a highlight for us.

This has been an interesting and busy year, especially this past summer. Because of the office space needs that the new Provost has, the Guild was asked to move to different quarters. We are still in Kretzmann Hall. First we were on one side of the President's Office; now we are on the other side of his office so we still have to be good! While our total office space is a bit smaller, we

truly have beautiful space. You should see the view out of our windows! The Chapel is perfectly framed. Please drop in to see us anytime you are on campus.

Have any of you noticed the new University sign out by Route 30? The large wooden one that used to stand there slowly rotted until it fell apart. We now have a new, lighted sign there. The area below it is quite nicely landscaped and is a pleasant and useful addition, day or night. Try to take a look at it before you leave, if you have not already seen it.

All weekend we have been talking about exploration, adventure, courage, risk-taking. No doubt there have been many individual instances of exploration, adventure, courage and risk-taking just to come here for this weekend! I can appreciate that. When I first became a National officer of the Guild, Hans was about 10 and Kurt was about 4. Since we lived in Colorado and rarely had the opportunity to visit my parents in Central Illinois, I always tried to see them anytime I came to campus. Of course, that added a couple of days to the time I was away from home. I remember one time especially—and some of you may remember this story—I had no sooner arrived at my folks than the phone rang. It



**Janie Lichtfuss,
Executive
Director**

was Kurt just calling to see if I had arrived there yet and to say "hi." We visited for a bit and then hung up. About 5 minutes later, the phone rang again. It was Kurt once again saying, "Mom, you know the beaters on your mixer?" Yes, Kurt, I know. "Well, I was using the mixer the other day and stirring something and the spoon got caught in the beaters." Did you get hurt, Kurt? "Well...no." Are you trying to tell me, Kurt, that the beaters got bent? "Well, . . .yes." I assured him that they could probably be fixed. He hung up, obviously relieved. About five minutes later, the phone rang once again. Yes, you guessed it. It was Kurt yet another time. His question: "Mom, how do you cook hotdogs?" I knew it was time to go home! So believe me, I realize that it is not always easy to arrange to be away from home. But I hope that all of you know how very important it is for you to be here—to participate in the events of the weekend, to see and "feel" the campus for the first time or for the 20th time. There is a renewing process that seems to take place here and can infuse a person with the energy and enthusiasm to return home and continue working for this place called Valparaiso University.



Kurt Lichtfuss, center, today with his wife, Mary and father, Armin Lichtfuss.

Exploration, adventure, courage and risk-taking began in the Guild Office long before the time of this Convention. I need to tell you something of that because the result of these out-of-the-norm decisions and actions will affect all those chapter presidents or chapter representatives who will be coming to the Executive Council meeting in February. A little background.

You may recall from some of my past reports that one "weakness or problem" kept showing up on literally all of the Annual Questionnaires. WE CANNOT INTEREST WOMEN IN MEMBERSHIP IN THE GUILD. There were statements like, "we have done everything with no positive results." Or, "women are working outside the home now and do not have time for a volunteer organization." Yet, my reading in many sources shows that volunteerism is increasing in organizations where the volunteer feels needed and worthwhile, where her time is not wasted, where she can learn something. In fact, while putting together this report, I received a flyer from the Volunteer Service Center here on campus. It contained some interesting facts about volunteers as gleaned from a recent Gallup Poll. Here are just a few: 50% of American adults volunteer. Working women are more likely to volunteer than homemakers. Twenty-three million people volunteer five plus hours a week. So, it seemed to me, and to the Guild Board, that perhaps we could use some expert advice and information about volunteers today. It seems obvious that the potential volunteers are there, but perhaps they are wrapped just a little differently than in the past and we need to do some things a bit differently in order to interest them in our organization.

With this in mind, I contacted Marlene Wilson, a woman who is known nation-

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wide for her insights and successes with volunteers and for her leadership within the ranks of volunteers. Would she be able to conduct a workshop for us? Letters and phone calls went back and forth and back and forth trying to find a date when she would be free. She and her workshops are in great demand. The entire process went on for the better part of two years! Finally, we came up with a common date: February 1993! So plans were made.

Then, just this past spring as I was getting ready to reserve the airport bus for February 1993, I was checking the just-published yearly calendar for the University. Would you believe that the dates for February Council, February 26-28, 1993 fall exactly when Spring Break begins here on campus? Spring Break begins on that Saturday, Feb. 27th. I called to make sure we could have food service. Yes, we could. I called to make sure we could have the Union personnel. Yes, we could. I then called to see about using the residence halls. No, we could not! There would be just too much confusion with the students packing to leave and our ladies moving in for the weekend. I called Marlene Wilson's office on the very remote chance that something might have been canceled for her and she could come the weekend before. That was not possible.

The Guild Board, after much discussion, decided that it was very important to keep the arrangements already made with Marlene Wilson. So now the exploration, courage and risk-taking began. Where would the Guild women stay? Would they still come even though, in some cases, children would be heading home? What sort of program could we present when the students and many of the faculty would not be here? What kind of accommodations would be possible?

After some very creative planning and thinking, a very workable program is beginning to take shape. For instance, **almost the entire Bridge Vu Inn has been reserved for that weekend. With four to a room, the cost will be almost exactly what you pay in the residence hall, slightly more if only two are in a room.** An added bonus is that each room, of course, has a private bath and the motel serves a complimentary Continental breakfast. **Transportation will be provided twice a day, to and from the motel.** And as for student involvement, it appears that it might be possible to involve some of our foreign students, since they generally cannot go home and many do not have the opportunity to leave campus.

We sincerely hope that chapter presidents or their representatives will have the courage to join us in this adventure. The Board has no doubt that the information you will receive will be worth every effort you make to get here. Consider February as your exploration and step into space and join us in this leap of faith in each other.

While we have many talented individuals in the Guild, we should never be above or beyond learning from those who are trained

and work in a particular field every day. None of us has all the answers to everything. Do we need the kind of help that I believe Marlene Wilson can give us?

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Again, if your Annual Questionnaires are any indication, we definitely do. I must tell you that during the last few months I have had many moments when, quite frankly, I have felt lower than a snake in a post hole.

As I mentioned just a bit earlier, when I first began this position three years ago, the questionnaires you sent stated that one of the problems that the chapters were having centered around not being able to interest new/young women to become members. The most recent questionnaires are coming in with a different problem now. It is that "we can't get anyone to take a leadership position." "No one will be president."

How does such a thing happen? How could it be that no one would take the position of leadership? This is so inconsistent with the history of this organization. It is especially inconsistent with a basic tenet that our talents and skills are God-given, even though there are times when it takes another to see those talents in us. But to turn our backs on those talents, or on those who encourage us in those talents they perceive in us, seems terribly wrong and sad. Yet, of the 90 annual questionnaires received in the Guild Office this year, sixty expressed, in some way or another, either that the members were quite old and could not interest young women in membership, or

that no one would assume leadership positions or BOTH! The fact that our chapters are aging is not a new fact or situation, but the unwillingness to lead has not been expressed—at least it has not been expressed so adamantly and often. I could not just ignore these statements, since the facts are that since I arrived here three years ago, we have 18 fewer chapters and have lost a total of 269 members. That gets my attention.

Please understand that I am not ignoring or discounting those chapters who are doing an excellent job of recruiting new members and functioning for the Guild. Nor am I disregarding or making light of all the hard work these "older" chapters have done and, very importantly, continue to do! What a commitment! I recognize that; I applaud that; I encourage that! I just don't want to see this end. But, the fact remains that something simply must change if we are to survive.

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To have good leaders you must have good followers and vice versa. There is just no other way. To have either side out of balance makes for a very poor organization and will probably result in the eventual death of the group.

If this were happening in just one or two of our chapters, I would not be so concerned. But it appears to be a disease and that disease is spreading quickly. I am aware of the fact that this disease is not unique to the Guild; it occurs in many other places, also.

But that does not give us a reason or an excuse to do likewise. Somewhere, somehow we simply must find a way to inform, to train, to do whatever is necessary so that all know and understand their part and their importance in the running and success of their chapter and the organization as a whole.

I feel the "answer" is there but, at the moment, is just out-of-reach.

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I am convinced that Valparaiso University needs the Valparaiso University Guild! Oh, it would probably survive without us, but I believe, with all my heart, that the university would not be the same kind of place without us. The women of the Valparaiso University Guild have an uncanny insight and perception about what separates an excellent university from a very unique and excellent university. You have proven that time and time again. You have had a faith that has been a wonderful model and has carried the University through difficult times when others would have despaired. Oh yes! We are definitely needed!

As I said, the facts have been weighing quite heavily on me. Then, about a month ago, I attended a service at the Methodist Church in Chesterton. They had a guitar choir that I wanted to hear. Not only did I hear the guitar choir, I heard a sermon that spoke right to me and, I believe, to the Guild! It was a sermon based on Mark 10:46-52. This is the story of Bartimaeus,

the blind man. Remember it? Well, I thought I did too, but some insights were given that were quite new to me.

When Bartimaeus heard that Jesus was nearby, he began to shout, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" People around him told him to be quiet but that made him shout all the louder. This got Jesus' attention and Jesus told the people to call Bartimaeus to Him. Now, here comes the interesting part.

Listen to what the people said to Bartimaeus and the order in which the statements were said. They said, "Cheer up! Get up!" And then what did Bartimaeus do? He **jumped up and then he looked up!**

Then, when Bartimaeus was asked what Jesus could do for him, he said quite simply, "Teacher, I want to see"; and he received his sight and followed Jesus along the road.

The important thing to me was that the people did not first tell Bartimaeus to get up. They told him to cheer up, change his attitude—change **your** attitude, Janie. Then, and only then, did they tell him to act—to get up. He not only got up—he jumped up! Then he directed his sightless eyes up and in the direction from which this wonderful voice was coming.

But he still did something more. He stated quite clearly what he wanted from Jesus. No innuendos. No second guessing. Here is what I want, Jesus. I want to see! Pretty simple, isn't it?

We have a challenge before us. In a way, we, too, are blind. We have not been able to put our finger on the solution. There are those who would tell us that an organization such as the Valparaiso University Guild has

no place in today's world. I cannot accept that. The need for such a network of wonderfully committed and dedicated women is perhaps greater now than ever before. So, I urge and challenge you to persevere. Shout as loudly as you can, no matter how many times you are told to be quiet and accept the inevitable and die a slow, quiet death. Then, cheer up, or, as Paula said yesterday, believe that you can do what is needed. Now you can get up. Jump up. Never forget to look up to the One who does have all the answers. Present the problem and expect positive action.

The solutions and cure are there, and together, with our Lord's help, we can find them. We need to talk. We need to communicate. As I have traveled during the past few weeks visiting three different

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chapters, I have told them that there are three questions that I believe we all must address. I would like to share them with all of you and would ask that you, individually and corporatly, as chapters, think about and discuss them.

The first question I would ask of you is:

1. "What do you VALUE about the Guild?" The word "value" is obviously the key word here. Values are those characteristics that you are not willing to forfeit. Values drive your actions. Values are seen in what you DO regardless of what you SAY you DO! So, what do you value about the Guild?

2. The second question I would ask is, "How do you perceive the Guild at the

present time"? What does it look like to you and how do you think it looks to others who are not members of the Guild? Be open and honest about this. It may be difficult to hear the answers, but it may be the only way we can find out the answer to the third and last question, which is:

3. "What do you want the Guild to look like in five to ten years from now?" How do you want the Guild perceived by non-members in five to ten years? What do you need to do to make that happen?

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These are very important questions because I believe the answers will direct our actions for the future. If we want to be a smaller group, fine. I know and have been in contact with the president of a group of 100 women who support a nearby college who annually raise at least \$1 million dollars and this year have a goal of \$3 million! So, there is nothing wrong with being a smaller group, but if that is what we want, let's decide that with intent. Let's not let it happen because we just let it slip away, because we did nothing, because we did not try to find the answers or were not willing to act upon the answers we did get! Whatever we do, let's do it with gusto and excitement!

We are being challenged! Now it is time for us to accept this challenge and adventure so that we can explore and take those risk-taking steps that are necessary for whatever is decided and to take them with great courage!

The Lord's blessings to you all.

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By Sharon Hersemann

Area I—Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, and Washington D. C.



Bay State

Fall and Halloween prompt a special project for this Massachusetts chapter. While President Delta Jean Schur is on campus accompanying her husband Walt to the University Board meeting, she delivers "goodie" bags to those young people who are students at Valpo from her chapter area. This year she delivered eleven bags!

Central New Jersey

The Central New Jersey Chapter held a "Get to Know Valpo Pizza Night" in March for high school students in the area who were interested in Valpo.

This pleasant looking group is shown below.



The Central New Jersey Chapter invited Janie Lichtfuss to be its guest speaker at an afternoon meeting on September 13th. The Northern New Jersey Chapter was also invited to attend. Pictured below are the members of the Central New Jersey Chapter present for the afternoon event including Mildred Raichle (seated, second from left), a charter member of the Chapter.



Buffalo

Buffalo started off its 92-93 year with a buffet supper at the home of member Lois Yox. Everyone contributed to the supper, and the first meeting of the year followed. Members are looking forward to the Western New York gathering in October.

Niagara Falls

Area I Area Director, Barbara Town, met with this chapter during the 1992 summer. Although many members are getting older, and have contributed much to the Guild over the years, renewed efforts are being expended to recruit new members and find new ways to serve. They plan to meet again in October to review these efforts. All the best to you, Niagara Falls Chapter!

Rochester

The following is a quote from Jean Bichsel, Editor Emeritus of the "Rochester New York Guild Times," written in connection with the 40th Anniversary of this chapter. She makes statements about the history of this vibrant chapter and then adds: "Surely all that is merely PROLOGUE—now we are rolling forward. With a past like all this, the future can only be more so! We need no crystal ball to see anything but even bigger, brighter, and better ideas, projects, and events—a team with an unbeatable heartbeat! Yes, applause is in order on the Fortieth as we look both backward and forward." Barbara Riethmeier, newly elected National President, and a member of this chapter, describes this chapter as "huge and huggie."

Northern Virginia

October 31st may be Reformation and Halloween, but it is also the date set for the Fall Luncheon and Fashion Show of the Northern Virginia Chapter. Food, fashions, crafts, and door prizes are all on the agenda for this event. Members will be modeling "Thrifty Outfits"—ones put together from thrift shops etc.—maximum expenditure of \$15.00, excluding shoes and jewelry. Sounds like a great Saturday activity. The chapter newsletter reports membership ages in the 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, 60s, 70s, and 80s. "We are proud of our diversity and how beautifully we work together."

Area II—Illinois plus Quad City Chapter IA



Aurora

Aurora Chapter's first meeting of the year held on September 16th was scheduled to include comments by Sue Dumford, President of the Naperville Chapter, intending to see if these two chapters might work together in some way. Marian Tomell, chapter president, solicited pledges to support her participation in the Guild Walk/Run at Convention.

Chicago South Suburban

Chicago South Suburban Chapter celebrated its 35th Anniversary last May. The members enjoyed a delicious catered dinner. Shown below at the celebration are Guild Executive Director Janie Lichtfuss and long-time Chicago South Suburban member and retiring chapter president, Marie Piepenbrink.



Elm

Elm Chapter will celebrate its 25th Anniversary in February 1993. Janie Lichtfuss is scheduled to be present for this celebration.

Dundee

Dundee Chapter held a successful luncheon last May 15th. The program was called "Quilts of Love." Several members of this chapter were able to attend the 1992 Guild Convention on campus.

DuPage County

DuPage Chapter has a celebrity member. Marlene Fenske appears in the popular Van Halen music video "Right Now." Her role (a ten-second spot) in

the video symbolizes "the universal mother." Congratulations to Marlene! Proud daughter Cathy Milleville is chapter president.

Greater Peoria

The Greater Peoria Chapter held a dinner for those with Guild connections and alumni connections on Saturday, October 3rd, at the home of President Dot Franzen, assisted by chapter vice-president, daughter Lisa Thomson.

Quad City

The first meeting of the year, a Fall Luncheon, was held on September 19th at the Pinnacle Country Club in Milan IL. The event featured Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director, as speaker. Some of those attending this lovely luncheon are shown below.



Area III—Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Wyoming



Boulder

The Boulder Chapter maintained a long-standing tradition of having a "tasting" meeting as its final meeting of the year. Following the regular business meeting, including election of officers, the program features information about the particular country/ flavor chosen and the refreshments reflect the same emphasis. This year's emphasis was "A Taste of

Hong Kong." This particular emphasis was chosen since President Sue Renken's son and daughter-in-law are presently living in Hong Kong. A fun meeting!

Denver

The Denver Chapter joined the Boulder Chapter for a combined meeting on May 2nd at The Harvest Restaurant and Bakery in Denver. These combined get-togethers are a wonderful social event and give the two groups the opportunity to visit about common concerns and joys!

Greater Kansas City

The date for Kansas City's ever-famous annual Oktoberfest is October 17, 1992. The evening promises German food, fun and frolic—full Gemutlichkeit—plus the Oompah band from Atonement Lutheran Church. This event has become a wonderful tradition for chapter members and friends.

Land Of Lakes

April found this chapter celebrating its 10th Anniversary with a brunch to which they invited all present and former members. There is real vitality in this chapter. AD Diane Margenau, also present for the celebration, says, "They enjoy each other's company and have fun doing just about everything."

Minneapolis

The September meeting of this chapter is a planning one—planning for its big fund-raising event, a salad luncheon/style show held in November.

St. Paul

Soon to be celebrating its 50th Anniversary, this chapter remains strong and hardworking. Area Director Diane Margenau attended the Salad Luncheon/Style Show in April, even arriving early enough to help with kitchen duties!

Houston

The Houston Chapter is once again promoting its now famous Texas citrus fruit selection (1992 fruit at 1991 prices) as its chapter fund-raiser. The members fill many holiday gift orders.

Area IV—Alaska, Arizona, California, Hawaii, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington



Orange County

The annual chapter luncheon was held in June, hosted by Peg Woiwod, and attended by special guests—current Valpo students. Pictured below attending the luncheon are: l-r, Michelle Sloan, student; Brenda Otte, chapter member; Rebecca Otte, student; and Julie Biang, student. The students shared campus experiences with members.



New officers installed at this luncheon were, l to r: Marty Reese, treasurer; Helen Anderson, vice-president; and JoAnne Sloan, president. Diane Mathuny, National Treasurer, officiated.



Columbia Cascade



Columbia Cascade Chapter members and Valpo friends join in the pre-Christmas celebration of watching the Parade of Christmas Ships—Parade of Lights—on the Columbia and Willamette Rivers. A potluck affair of Christmas goodies was enjoyed by all.

Columbia Cascade Chapter's Annual Cruise is to Panama on March 13-23, 1993.

Area V—Wisconsin



Appleton

In July the Appleton Chapter again sponsored a bus tour/luncheon day trip featuring Homes and Gardens in Door County, Wisconsin.

Milwaukee Suburban

Speaker at the September 14th first meeting of the fall was Nancy Chandler, news anchor on WTMJ-TV, Milwaukee, and a Valpo grad!

This chapter, under the leadership of Sharon Newcomer, will again be organizing a bus trip to Valpo for the November 13-14 Senior Visit Day.

Sheboygan

Area V Area Director, Cindy Russler, was the speaker at the Sheboygan Chapter meeting last March. The chapter will hold luncheon meetings in both September and November and then participate in a Fund-raiser Bazaar in November.

Area VI—Michigan



Ann Arbor

The "Stacki Uppi Supper" is a great annual summer event of this chapter, encouraging students, prospective students, parents, alumni, Guild members, and friends of Valpo to be together and enjoy a fun meal. The event is held at the home of Beth and Parke Frederick.

Battle Creek

Pictured below is the Prospective Student Corn Roast held in July 1992 at the home of Bobbie and Don Wilson. "We certainly see the value and merit of our being at College Night here," said President Bobbie. "We are looking forward to being there this year and every year."



Detroit

On April 1st, VU President Alan Harre preached at a Lenten service in Detroit. A luncheon followed, co-hosted by this Guild chapter. Then on May 1st, the chapter hosted its regular Luncheon/Fashion Show. Fall will find this chapter busy planning for its annual Fall Card Party.

Detroit West

The Detroit West Chapter celebrated its 35th

Anniversary in June with a luncheon. Congratulations!

Midland

Area VI Area Director, Margaret Kohn, attended a pot luck dinner with this group in September.

Sebewaing

A summer activity of the Sebewaing Chapter was a Garden Party with a potluck lunch on August 11th. Joan Hofmeister's granddaughter told about her first year as a student on Valpo's campus.

Rochester

AD Margaret Kohn attended a Brunch fund-raiser hosted by this chapter in May. "Hardworking and dedicated members," she reports.

Area VII—Indiana and Kentucky



Indianapolis

Pictured are Indianapolis Chapter members (and spouses) making Person-to-Person calls. l-r, seated: new members Pam Breedlove and Marcy Gaston; standing: Bill Ziegele, Marilyn Ziegele, Marilyn Ochs, Georgiana Schroeder, Barb Potter, Rick Potter, John Schroeder (photographer).



Indianapolis will also be having its annual Tasting Luncheon at Our Redeemer Lutheran Church on November 14th.

Mishawaka-South Bend

The South Bend Tribune printed a picture showing people busy at Mishawaka's Sidewalk Day in July. The picture caption was: "Lois Bohde, right, and Maxine Schlifke, both of the Valparaiso University Guild, put a used toy into a bag for a customer at Sidewalk Day. The Guild was operating a retail booth downtown today."



Kentuckiana

In celebration of the National Valparaiso Guild's 60th Anniversary, the Kentuckiana Chapter planned a special Valpo weekend with a dinner meeting on Saturday, February 8, at Our Savior Lutheran Church in Louisville, Kentucky. Some Valpo Cookbook favorites and others were prepared by members for the "Bring-a-Dish" meal to which husbands and friends were invited.

Barbara Haller, chapter president, welcomed the group and asked each guest to share his/her connection with, or interest in, Valparaiso University and the Guild. The speaker and guest of honor was Paula Sauer, National Guild President, who presented much information about the school's varied educational programs and the Guild's ongoing support of Valparaiso's needs—especially toward the planned Center for the Visual and Performing Arts.

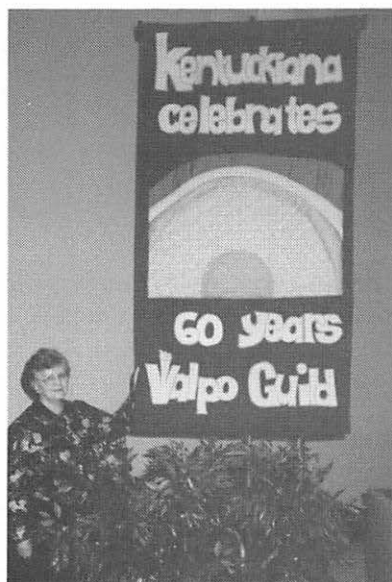
Valpo Sunday's schedule on Feb. 9th included the National President spending the Sunday School hour

with the high school class for whom the video Pre-VU was shown and followed by a discussion. The large Valparaiso banner, updated by Betty Oblander to reflect 60 years, was in the sanctuary for the church services. Following each of the two services, Paula Sauer gave a short talk about the University.

After the late service, a coffee hour was held with goodies provided by Guild members.



Barbara Haller and Paula Sauer at Valpo display, Our Savior Lutheran Church, October 9, 1992



Betty Oblander by beautiful VU Guild banner.

Area VIII—Ohio



Each and every chapter in Ohio (Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus Capital Bells, Elmore, Greater Dayton, Lorain County, Medina and Union County) is to be commended for the work it did for the Convention Banquet! The space and exploring wonderland created was outstanding! Thank you, Ohio!

Cincinnati

Area VIII AD, Faith Rechel, was a guest at the luncheon meeting on May 30th held at Dockside #6 Restaurant. The group, shown below, participated in planning for the Convention Banquet, as well as the installation of the newly elected officers.



The Cincinnati Chapter also hosted an inspiring Spring Musicale involving three choirs, a duet and three soloists April 26. A bit of heaven on earth! The offering went to the Guild's National Project Fund.

Union County

Faith Rechel, Area VIII AD, had the opportunity to attend the September meeting of the Union County Chapter. She states that this energetic and enthusiastic group, under the capable leadership of President Barbara Wetterman, continues to flourish. The members are ever mindful of Valpo and this is evident in the constancy of this group.

Area IX—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee



Alabama

On October 14th, Executive Director, Janie Lichtfuss, traveled to Birmingham and met with five members of the Alabama Chapter. Over a lovely dinner at The Club, the group discussed its chapter plans and also when they would meet to discuss the three strategic planning questions for the Guild. This wonderfully energetic and "alive" group, under the expert leadership of Judy Wolff (who, by the way, is just retiring as Area IX AD), is a positive and on-going Valpo/Guild presence in the Birmingham area. Thank you, Alabama Chapter!



Standing l-r: Joan Hilner, Janet Tysee, Janie Lichtfuss; seated l-r: Edna Adams, Judy Wolff, Ruth Lehman.

Gulf Coast

Cory Roy, newly appointed Area Director for Area IX, was the guest speaker at a meeting of the Gulf Coast Chapter on October 8th.

The meeting was held at the home of Clair Reitz in

Venice FL. The chapter was delighted to welcome Cory to her first chapter meeting in her new position.



Gulf Coast Chapter, l-r: Lenora Eesley, Lois Reed, Dorothea Luehr, Laverne Smith, Cory Roy, Claire Reitz, Louise Umenhofer and Jo Loesch.

Treasure Coast

The second anniversary of this chapter will be celebrated on November 21st in Stuart FL. Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director, will be guest speaker. This young chapter, with the outstanding leadership of Mary Louise Westerman, is representing Valparaiso University and the Guild very well on the East Coast of Florida. Congratulations, Treasure Coast!

Atlanta

Can it be that the Atlanta Chapter is already twenty years old? Yes, and this event was celebrated during a lovely luncheon meeting at Jennifer Meszaros' beautiful home on October 17th. Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director of the Guild, was the guest speaker.

Retiring Area Director Judy Wolff describes this great chapter as a "beautiful group of caring women." This celebratory group is pictured below.



A big event in the life of this group was the June 20th marriage of one of the members, Lorraine Gaunt, to Mike Dorough. The chapter, well known in the Atlanta area (and in the Guild) for its fantastic catering services, catered the reception for Lorraine and Mike.



Members of the chapter, shown with the new bride, are l-r: Joan Jansen, Judy Cerny, Eileen Albinger, Lee Feller, Julane Swank, the bride, Linda Allen, Judy Wolff, Arline Dort, Jean Meyers, Marie Geesa and Jean Lawrence.

Middle Tennessee

Since Executive Director Janie Lichtfuss would be going right through Nashville on her way to Birmingham and then to Atlanta, the Middle Tennessee Chapter members invited her to stop there and visit with them. These women were wonderful hostesses, showing Janie all the Nashville sights (including Dotson's Restaurant, Earl's Pumpkin Farm, and the Loveless Cafe). Needless to say, Janie is sold on the south!

It was not all "play", however, as this group took time from their busy schedules to meet over dinner at the Grand Ole Opry Hotel. They took this opportunity to ask questions about Valpo and the Guild and to decide when they would meet to discuss the strategic planning questions posed by Janie for the Guild. Pictured in a lovely dining room at the Grand Ole Opry Hotel are l-r: Mary Ann Whited, Janet Greenleaf, Diane Kurtz, Paula Fogelberg, Janice Norby and Janie Lichtfuss.





Marlene Rakow
National Secretary

MINUTES
of the
61st ANNUAL CONVENTION
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD
September 24-27, 1992

"If I take the wings of the morning,
And dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
Even there your hand shall lead me,
And your right hand shall hold me."

Psalm 139:9-10

The 61st Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild was called to order by Paula Sauer, President, at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, September 25, 1992, in the Great Hall of the Valparaiso University Union.

The Opening Presentation was narrated by Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director. The flags of the Church, the United States of America and Valparaiso University were presented by sons of Guild members. Flag bearers included: Raymond Riethmeier, Eric Bardenhagen and Wayne Weith.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The President welcomed all members in attendance at the convention, especially those attending their first national Guild convention. She then introduced the other members of the Board of Directors of the VU Guild: 1st Vice President Barbara Riethmeier, 2nd Vice President Bev Wick, Secretary Marlene Rakow, Treasurer Diane Mathuny, Executive Director Janie Lichtfuss; and Lynn Bahls, Parliamentarian. Also introduced were members of the Guild office staff: Esther Kruger, Technical Assistant, and Sharon Hersemann, Administrative Assistant. The chair then recognized past national Guild Presidents who were in attendance: Lynn Bahls, Beata Madoerin, Janie Lichtfuss, Jackie Jungemann, and Phyllis Schuessler. A special introduction was given to Diane Harre, wife of the University President, and Louise Williams, Executive Director, Lutheran Deaconess Association.

Deanna Stritof, President of the Valparaiso Chapter, conveyed greetings to the assembly.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Barbara Kehe, Credentials Committee Chairman, reported 186 registered voting members. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDING RULES

By direction of the Board of Directors, the Secretary moved adoption of the convention standing rules, which were adopted as follows:

1. When addressing the chair, a member shall speak at a microphone, giving name and chapter affiliation.
2. Motions and amendments from the floor shall be submitted in writing, signed by the maker and the seconder, and presented to the Secretary.
3. Notices of announcements shall be submitted in writing to the Executive Director.

ADOPTION OF CONVENTION PROGRAM

By direction of the Board of Directors, 2nd Vice President Bev Wick moved adoption of the convention program with the following modification: A report of the tellers listed for Saturday A.M. be struck out. Motion adopted.

RECOGNITION OF ANNIVERSARY CHAPTERS

President Sauer recognized the 50th Anniversary of the Clintonville WI Chapter and the 60th Anniversaries of the St. Louis MO and Cleveland OH Chapters.

RECOGNITION OF NEW CHAPTER

Helen Messerschmidt, representative of the Guild's newest chapter, Old Dominion, was presented with the gavel and charter for the chapter.

INTRODUCTION OF CONVENTION COMMITTEES

The President introduced the members of convention committees:

Minutes Approval Committee:

Sue Dumford--Naperville Chapter IL

Mary Anne Whited--Middle Tennessee Chapter TN

Resolutions Committee:

Pam Sieving--Ann Arbor Chapter MI

Joanne Kloehn--Spokane Chapter WA

Gail Kueffner-Haw--Battle Creek Chapter MI

Convention Reporter:

Barbara Oster--New Orleans Chapter LA

Convention Photographer:

Joseph Wangerin

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL PRESIDENT

First Vice President Barbara Riethmeier introduced Paula Sauer, National Guild President. (See page 7 in the *Bulletin* for the National President's report.)

CORRESPONDENCE

Secretary Marlene Rakow read greetings from past Executive Directors Dot Nuechterlein and Betsy Nagel. Thank-you letters were received from Dr. Alan Harre, Mark Schwehn, Dean, Christ College, and Larry Leatz, Development Director.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL TREASURER

Diane Mathuny, Treasurer, gave the following report of receipts and disbursements for the year ended June 30, 1992. The total beginning balance as of July 1, 1991, was \$27,526.90. Total receipts through June 30, 1992, were \$238,724.40 making the total cash available \$266,251.30. Total disbursements through June 30, 1992, were \$208,414.08 leaving a balance of \$57,837.22. The complete report of the Treasurer is appended to these Minutes.

The Treasurer made the following comments and recommendations:

All checks written for Bed and Breakfast payment should be made payable to VU Guild and given to the chapter treasurer. The treasurer should send these checks with the blue form provided for this purpose to the National Treasurer.

All dues sent to the National Treasurer should be accompanied by a list of the names and addresses of the paid members.

There will be no calendar award made this year due to the limited funds available.

The Treasurer congratulated the Guild on meeting the 3rd-year goal even though chapter contributions were below target. The goal was reached as a result of keeping operating costs below the projected amount.

The Treasurer recognized and thanked Judy Mason for performing the audit for the Guild.

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR

The report of the auditor, Judy Mason, C.P.A. was adopted by the assembly.

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1992-93

For the information of the assembly, the Treasurer reviewed the proposed budget for July 1, 1992 - June 30, 1993.

Travel - Chapter Presidents	\$33,000
Travel - Roster	22,000
Bulletin	10,000
Printing/Stationary	2,000
Operating/Admin. Expenses	4,200
Senior Women's Dinner	300
Gifts/Memorials	100
Miscellaneous	500
	<u>\$72,100</u>

Approved by the Guild Board September 1992.

APPOINTMENT OF TELLERS

The following were appointed by the President as tellers for the convention:

Lois Mae Hannewald

Luella Ansorge

Dori Freundt

Kristine Krueger

Barbara Haller

Ethelyn Cordes

Ruth Cowan

ELECTION OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The chair announced that the offices of Secretary and Treasurer are to be filled by election at the 1993 Convention. The following women were nominated to serve on the Nominating Committee:

Cindy Russler--Appleton WI
Deanna Stritof--Valparaiso IN
Nancy Fehr--Chicago NW Suburban IL
Ruth Cowan--South Central Pennsylvanis PA
Marybeth Linn--Appleton WI
Mary Anne Whited--Middle Tennessee TN
Judy Wolff--Alabama AL

REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES CHAIRMAN

Esther Hildner reported that bazaar activity was excellent. The Silent Auction was again being held in the West Hall. A special thank-you was given to Stephanie Gerdes of the Valparaiso Chapter for her help with the bazaar. The chapter handbook competition will be judged this year by the Old Dominion Chapter.

REPORT OF THE GUILD RUN CHAIRMAN

Jan Schlegelmilch challenged everyone to join in the run and thanked everyone who had already signed up for the event.

REACH FOR THE STARS

First Vice President Barbara Riethmeier gave an update on the progress the chapters are making on the "Reach for the Stars" program. Four chapters are already seated on the stage, signifying that they have reached their five-year cumulative goal. Forty-six percent of the chapters either reached or exceeded their goals for the year.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Margaret Zobel, Nominating Committee Chairman, introduced the members of the Nominating Committee in attendance. Pam Sieving introduced the candidates:

President:	Barbara Riethmeier
1st Vice President:	Joanne Gatz Beverly Wick
2nd Vice President:	Ann Louise Beese Pera Laurel Karzel Rouse Jane Wittlinger

Judy Wolff asked each candidate to respond with a prepared answer to a question assigned in advance.

CLOSING PRAYER

The noon prayer was offered by Barbara McKissick, retiring Area II Director.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 2:00 p.m.

REPORT OF THE BED AND BREAKFAST CHAIRMAN

Marian Yungahans, Chairman, gave her report as "Tessie the Traveler." She thanked the chapters for their promotion of the project and for the increase in the profits realized this year.

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK IV CHAIRMAN

Judy Schumacher, Chairman, reported on the progress of Cookbook IV. She informed the assembly that every effort was being made to have it ready for Council in February, but no promises could be made.

COOKBOOK MOTION AMENDMENT

A motion was made by Judy Schumacher to amend the motion concerning the cost of Cookbook IV made at the September 1991 Convention by striking out the words: "for paid-up orders from now until Council meeting February 22, 1992. "

ADOPTED, the amended motion reads :

That Cookbook IV be sold for \$10. 00 upon publication and that a pre-publication price of \$9.00 be set.

Motion adopted.

COOKBOOK SALES REPORT

There was no formal report given by the Cookbook Sales Committee. A special thank-you and recognition by the Guild was given to Lois Hoepfner for the many years she has been the chairman of Cookbook Sales. She has held this position since 1984. Bonnie Naumann will be the new Cookbook Chairman.

REPORT OF THE COOKBOOK MARKETING COMMITTEE

Jan Wozniak, Chairman, encouraged members to promote the sales of all volumes of the cookbooks. Use them, publicize them, give them as gifts and continually promote their sales.

COOKBOOK MOTION

A motion moved by Jan Wozniak that the cost of Cookbooks I, II and III be \$10.00 at the publication of Cookbook IV was adopted.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS: NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lois Hannewald, Chairman, reported the following results for the tellers:

Number of ballots cast	176
Number of votes cast	662
Cindy Russler	123
Deanna Stritof	120
Ruth Cowan	98
Judy Wolff	90
Nancy Fehr	85
Mary Anne Whited	78
Mary Beth Linn	68

President Paula Sauer declared the following women elected: Cindy Russler, Chair; Deanna Stritof, Ruth Cowan, and Judy Wolff. Paula Sauer, immediate past National President will serve as the fifth member of the Nominating Committee.

SPECIAL TOPIC

Philip Gilbertson, Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, spoke of the role of the Arts on the campus and in the world. He introduced Dr. John Steven Paul, Department of Theater and Television Arts, who spoke of the vision of the Arts program on campus and how the Arts Center will be an expression of the evolution of these Arts. A presentation was provided for the assembly by several faculty members and students.

INTRODUCTION OF THE GUILD SCHOLARS

Candy Kilpinen of the Admissions Office introduced Heidi Eilers, Freshman Guild Scholar of Bellevue WA.

CLOSING PRAYER

The closing prayer was offered by Diane Margenau, retiring Area III Director.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 1992

President Paula Sauer called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. The morning devotions were led by Professor Walter Wangerin, Emil and Elfriede Jochum Professor of the University.

REPORT OF THE CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Barbara Kehe, Credentials Committee Chairman, reported a revised role of 213 registered voting members in attendance. The report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE CALENDAR STUDY COMMITTEE

Diane Vollrath, Chairman, presented the following recommendations from the study committee:

1. Every chapter examine its reasons for participation in and non-participation in the Calendar Project.
2. At the 1993 Executive Council, the issue be addressed and a plan of action be developed to be presented to the 1993 Convention regarding both the goal and the vehicle of the Calendar Project.
3. The in-coming Calendar Project Chairman be profit-oriented for the 1994 VU Guild Calendar.

REPORT OF THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

Patti Cline, Chairman, presented suggestions for marketing the Guild in ways that would obtain new members and keep the present ones.

REPORT OF THE GUILD GOODIES COORDINATOR

First Vice President Barbara Riethmeier highlighted the nine Guild Goodies for the 1992-1993 season. The Guild Goodie Study Committee consisting of Ruth Cowan, Marcie Lea and chairman, Lorraine Berndsen, have made several suggestions to the Board. This information will be discussed with a University resource person who will assist us in determining the best ways to market our Guild Goodies.

MESSAGE FROM THE UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT

Marlene Rakow, Secretary, introduced Dr. Alan Harre, President, Valparaiso University. (See page 11 in the *Bulletin* for Dr. Harre's address.)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Margaret Zobel presented the slate of officers. Nominations were closed and ballots were cast to elect the officers.

REPORT OF THE GUILD RUN CHAIRMAN

Jan Schlegelmilch reported that there were 52 participants in the Run.

REPORT OF THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Julia Riess, Chairman, challenged each chapter to try one new activity to promote Valparaiso University.

REPORT OF THE COORDINATOR OF AREA DIRECTORS

Bev Wick, 2nd Vice President, introduced the four retiring Area Directors and thanked them for their service to the Guild. These four directors are: Barbara McKissick, Area II; Diane Margenau, Area III; Linda Lohmann, Area IV and Judy Wolff, Area IX. Bev introduced those remaining as Area Directors: Barbara Town, Area I; Cindy Russler, Area V; Margaret Kohn, Area VI; Colette Irwin-Knott, Area VII; and Faith Rechel, Area VIII. New Area Directors introduced were: Judy Rullman, Area II; Jill Stammel, Area III; Marian Yunghans, Area IV; and Corrine Roy, Area IX.

CLOSING PRAYER

The noon prayer was given by Judy Wolff, retiring Area IX Director.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m.

REPORT OF THE TELLERS: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Lois Mae Hannewald presented the following report of the tellers:

For President:	Number of votes cast	191
	Necessary for election	96
	Barbara Riethmeier	191
For 1st Vice President:	Number of votes cast	192
	Necessary for election	97
	Beverly Wick	146
	Joanne Gatz	46
For 2nd Vice President:	Number of votes cast	192
	Necessary for election	97
	Ann Louise Beese Pera	125
	Laurel Rouse	51
	Jane Wittlinger	16

The President declared the following elected: for President, Barbara Riethmeier; for 1st Vice President, Bev Wick; for 2nd Vice President, Ann Louise Beese Pera.

REPORT OF THE BYLAWS COMMITTEE

Shirley Honold, Bylaws Committee Chairman, moved that any dues increases voted on today will take affect in the 1993-1994 fiscal year. Motion adopted.

Shirley moved adoption of the following bylaws amendments, which were adopted.

ARTICLE V Dues, Funds, and Gifts

Section 1. Annual National Dues. -- The annual national dues for members of the Guild shall be twelve dollars (\$12.00) per year.

Section 2. University Fund. -- Five dollars (\$5.00) of the annual national dues shall be donated to the University Fund of Valparaiso University.

Section 3. Operational/Project Fund.-- Seven dollars (\$7.00) of the annual national dues shall be included with gifts and monies raised by chapters through activities and shall be used for special projects determined by the Guild in convention. Expenses for operating the Guild shall be paid from this fund, except as otherwise specified in these Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV Membership

Section 2. Any woman residing in a locality where there is no chapter, who is interested in Christian education as provided at Valparaiso University, may be accepted as a "Four Winds" member of the Guild by paying the annual national dues plus an additional contribution to the Project Fund, making a combined total of thirty dollars (\$30.00), directly to the National Treasurer of the Guild, who shall forward her record of membership to the Coordinator of Area Directors. Any such member shall have all the rights and privileges of membership, including those of voting and holding office, subject to the control of Article VII, section 1b.

The proposed amendment to Article IV, section 3 was lost.

SPECIAL TOPIC

Charles Werth, University Director of Church Relations, addressed the assembly and thanked the Guild for its ongoing promotion of Valparaiso University. He encouraged the assembly to continue to spread the news of what is going on at the University.

PRESENTATION TO THE NEW PRESIDENT

President Paula Sauer presented the Guild's traveling plaque to newly-elected President Barbara Riethmeier.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

President Paula Sauer introduced Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director of the Guild. (See page 34 in the *Bulletin* for the Executive Director's address.)

RETIRING OFFICERS RESOLUTION

The Resolutions Committee moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Psalm 139:9-10 says, "If I take the wings of the morning, and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, Even there your hand shall lead me, and Your right hand shall hold me, and

WHEREAS, Paula Sauer, Barbara Riethmeier and Bev Wick have faithfully served as President, 1st Vice President and 2nd Vice President respectively, and

WHEREAS, they have felt the right hand of the Lord moving them and through them the Valparaiso University Guild, and

WHEREAS, they served faithfully with leadership, vision and determination; therefore be it

RESOLVED, that all members of Valparaiso University Guild give thanks and praise to God, who led and held Paula Sauer, Barbara Riethmeier and Bev Wick as they used their gifts and talents in service of the Guild and to Valparaiso University .

Resolution adopted.

CONVENTION RESOLUTION

The Resolutions Committee moved adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Psalm 139:9-10 says, "... Even there your hand shall lead me. . .," and

WHEREAS, the members of the Valparaiso University Guild have been challenged at convention in a spirit of confidence and capability, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the members of the Valparaiso University Guild extend sincere thanks to all who gave of their time and talents to make this a convention of challenge and encouragement.

The resolution was adopted.

CLOSING PRAYER

The closing prayer was given by newly-elected President Barbara Riethmeier.

The 61st Annual Convention of the Valparaiso University Guild was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Marlene Rakow
Secretary

Approved by the Minutes Approval Committee:
Sue Dumford -- Naperville Chapter II
Mary Anne Whited -- Middle Tennessee Chapter TN



VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD
Statement of Receipts and Disbursements
for the year ended June 30, 1992

BALANCE AS OF JULY 1, 1992

Operating/Project Fund	\$24,100.90
Guild Special	100.00
Calendar Reserve	2,000.00
Calendar Fund	279.00
Cookbook Fund	636.00
University Fund	<u>411.00</u>

TOTAL BEGINNING BALANCE

\$27,526.90

RECEIPTS

University Fund	\$ 10,159.00
Operating/Project Fund	157,570.22
Restricted Fund - Memorials and Project Gifts	5,595.00
Restricted Fund - Matching	1,575.00
Restricted Fund - Jo Feller memorial	1,000.00
Restricted Fund - Interest Earned at University	11,482.11
Interest Earned	2,222.57
Bed & Breakfast	3,235.00
Guild Special	1,190.00
Celebration Cards	465.00
Cookbook Fund	27,796.00
Calendar Fund	3,872.50
Christmas Card	2,352.00
Past National Officers Scholarship	<u>10,205.00</u>

TOTAL RECEIPTS

\$238,724.40

TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE

\$266,251.30

DISBURSEMENTS

To Valparaiso University		
- Project Fund	\$110,237.11	
- Celebration Cards	465.00	
- Guild Special	1,204.13	
- Past National Officers Endowment	10,205.00	
- University Fund	<u>10,209.00</u>	
Total to Valparaiso University		\$132,320.24
Travel - Roster		22,015.20
Travel - Chapter Presidents		30,441.41
Operating/Administrative Expense		3,847.45
Bulletin		9,747.36
Printing/Stationery		2,030.50
Bed & Breakfast Directory - Printing		2,728.00
Calendar - Printing		3,272.00
Christmas Card - Printing & Design		1,674.00
Miscellaneous - Gifts	92.25	
- Senior Women's Dinner	57.28	
- Other	<u>188.39</u>	
		<u>337.92</u>

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

\$208,414.08

BALANCE AS OF JUNE 30, 1992

\$ 57,837.22

GUILD GOODIES APPLICATION

Guild chapter submitting application _____

Date of application _____

Item _____

Full description of item:

Price per item _____

Shipping/Handling _____

Total _____

Person responsible for handling orders:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

_____ Zip _____

Additional information needed from customer to complete an order as size, color, etc.:

Sample of the item and a clear, glossy photograph must accompany this application.

Send application to: Ann Louise Pera, 307 Park Ln. #1-D, Scott City KS 67871.

GOOD LUCK WITH YOUR GOODIES!

GUILD GOODIES AD TEXT FORM

NOTE: This is not a Guild Goodie Application. This form is to be used to assure that the information pertaining to accepted Guild Goodies is kept current. The ad text for Guild Goodies must be sent to the Editor of the *Bulletin* for EACH issue of the *Bulletin*. The deadline for each issue is: March 15th for spring issue
October 15th for fall issue

Name of Guild chapter _____

Name of item _____

Full description of item:

Price per item _____

Shipping/Handling _____

Total _____

Person responsible for handling orders:

Name _____ Telephone _____

Address _____

_____ Zip _____

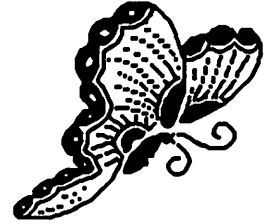
Send ad text form to:

Janie Lichtfuss, Executive Director
Valparaiso University Guild
Valparaiso University
Kretzmann Hall
Valparaiso IN 46383

Application For

THE SHIRLEY AYRES JUD GUILD SCHOLARSHIP

Initiated by the family of Shirley Ayres Jud, this scholarship is awarded annually to the son or daughter of a member of the Valparaiso University Guild. Provided the recipient maintains a satisfactory academic record, the award will continue.



This special Guild Application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning along with the regular University admissions forms.

Name _____
Last First Middle or Maiden

Home Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Name of Parent or Guardian _____

College you plan to enter:

- ☐ Arts & Sciences
- ☐ Business Administration
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Nursing

Month and year you plan to enter Valparaiso University _____

Name and address of high school _____

☐ I have filed an application for admission to Valparaiso University.

☐ Please send me an application for admission to Valparaiso University.

I am the son () daughter () of a Guild member in the _____ Chapter.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.



Application For



GUILD PAST NATIONAL OFFICERS' ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP

Initiated by the Past National Presidents and Executive Directors in the name of all the women who have served as presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, treasurers and executive directors of the Guild, this \$2,000 scholarship is awarded to a junior who is in good academic standing at the University. It may be renewed if the student remains in good academic standing. The scholarship is awarded to sons or daughters of University Guild members.

This application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning.

Name _____
Last First Middle or Maiden

Home Address _____
Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Name of Parent or Guardian _____

College in which you are enrolled:

- ☐ Arts & Sciences
- ☐ Business Administration
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Nursing

I am the son () daughter () of a Guild member in the _____ Chapter.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.

Application For
VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY GUILD COOKBOOK SCHOLARSHIP

Each year receipts from the sale of Guild cookbooks provide \$2,000 scholarships for sons and daughters of Guild members. Scholarship awards are based on academic ability, extracurricular involvement, and financial need. Provided the freshman recipient maintains a satisfactory academic record, the award will continue through the senior year.

This special Guild Application should be submitted to the Office of Admissions and Student Financial Planning along with the regular University admissions forms.

Name _____
 Last First Middle or Maiden

Home Address _____
 Street City State Zip

Phone _____ Name of Parent or Guardian _____

College you plan to enter:

- ☐ Arts & Sciences
- ☐ Business Administration
- ☐ Engineering
- ☐ Nursing

Month and year you plan to enter Valparaiso University _____

Name and address of high school _____

- ☐ I have filed an application for admission to Valparaiso University.
- ☐ Please send me an application for admission to Valparaiso University.

I am the son ☐ daughter ☐ of a Guild member in the _____ Chapter.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATION: MARCH 1st of each year.

LIVING BOOKS MEMORIALS

The following Living Books Memorials, given from January 1, 1992
through June 30, 1992, totaled \$1,318.00.

Ann Arbor MI
Elma Tyler

Baltimore MD
Bert Dunn
Mary Kullick

Beloit WI
Gladys Kopplin

Chicago NW Suburban IL
John Holzer

Chicago So Suburban IL
Otto Wachholz

Cincinnati OH
Lydia Geist

Cleveland OH
Emma Bicker

Decatur Circuit IN
Marie Steele

Des Moines IA
Marie Bohn
Armond Philipp

Detroit MI
Ralph Buehler
Louise Haller
Merna Carl

Detroit West MI
Marie Foelber
Elvena Keller
Edward Rowden

East Central IL
Otto Wachholz

Fort Wayne IN
Frieda Kampe
Lillian Thiele

Four Winds NY
Bonnie Fruehe

Glenbrook IL
Pastor & Mrs. Bohnett

Hammond IN
Laura Furstenburg
Ruth Vater

Indianapolis IN
Irene Morrisson

Midland MI
Fred Dale

Milwaukee Afternoon WI
Barbara Karzel
Phyllis LaSage
Sally Schram
Reinhart Toebe

Milwaukee Suburban WI
Helen Eckstaedt
Ralph Krueger

Neenah-Menasha WI
Lillian Roth

New Orleans LA
William Magstette, Sr.

Niagara Falls NY
Eleanor Cornell
Esther Zoss

North East PA
Charles Lexow

Northern VA
Louise Freitag

Omaha NE
Charlotte Grossman

Orange County CA
Henry Wiedenheft

Puget Sound WA
Norman Weilert

Quad City IL-IA
Arnold Likeness

Rochester NY
M. Alfred Bichsel
Bertha Gabram
Evelyn Kudweis
Norma Mast
Elaine Watts
Oliver Weddle

St. Louis MO
Florence Beumer
Mildred Gundermann
Meta Kuhlmann
Edwin Meyer
John Moll
Irene Morrisson

St. Paul MN
Margaret Hamm
Val Sohre

Sheboygan WI
Kenneth Suesens

State Unit - Wisconsin
Lillian Roth

Sun City AZ
Selma Busse
Willis John

Valparaiso IN
Della Bauer
Hilde Hospers
Helen Miller
Irene Morrisson
Margaretta Tangerman

Individual
James Dachtwey
Linda Dixon
Gerald Hornbacker
Jennifer Jenney
Arthur Lundquist
Irene Morrisson

CELEBRATION CARDS

"For what thanksgiving can we render to God for you, for all the joy which we feel for your sake before our God . . ." 1 Thessalonians, 3:9

Joshua Bates

Michelle Dennis

Helen Eckstaedt

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fray

Walter and Marge Harcourt

Ann and Ed Kurtz

Esther Moreau

Mary Nelsen

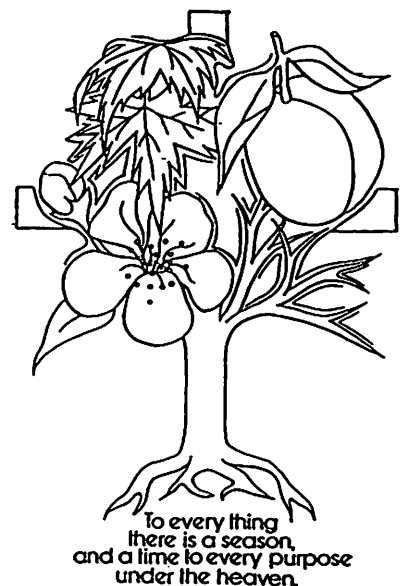
Mrs. Lee Schuermann

Val Sohre

Rev. Karl Trautman

Rev. Carol Vassallo

Iva and Wilbur Weinsheimer



Celebration cards have been given with joy on the occasion of baptisms, birthdays, confirmations, weddings, anniversaries, recovery from illness, birth of a child. Gifts in honor of the above persons, given from January 1, 1992 through June 30, 1992, totaled \$305.00.

CURRENT PROJECT GIFTS

Gifts to the Current Project of the Guild on behalf of individuals, given from January 1, 1992 through June 30, 1992, totaled \$755.00.

Battle Creek MI

Bobbie Wilson

Mishawaka-South Bend IN

Clara Priebe

Buffalo NY

Carl Jentsch

New Orleans LA

Margaret Thieman

Chicago West Suburban IL

Carl Abel

Puget Sound WA

Judy Gross

Leonard and Alberta Ruecker

Eleanor Wick

Diablo Valley CA

Donald Boltz

Magdalene Frank

Rochester NY

M. Alfred Bichsel

Daniel McCarthy

Adele Norton

Elgin IL

Albert Funk

Eunice Mitchell

Alice Moss

Robert Rosborough

Saginaw MI

Kenneth Berkobien

Bert Klein

Mildred O'Riorden

Lillie Rodammer

Elmore OH

Janet Kachmarik

St. Louis MO

Mildred Gundermann

Greater Dayton OH

Grace Rechel

St. Petersburg FL

M. Alfred Bichsel

Jack Coover

Jim and Foy Grinstead

Louise Mansfield

John Moyer

Vernon Riethmeier

Valeria Sohre

Robert Urbahns

Gulf Coast FL

Edwin Vierk

Medina OH

Gerard Kohn

Augusta Mildenberger

Alice Saville

Alfred Sorenson

Milwaukee Suburban WI

Ruth Ritsch

Valparaiso IN

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